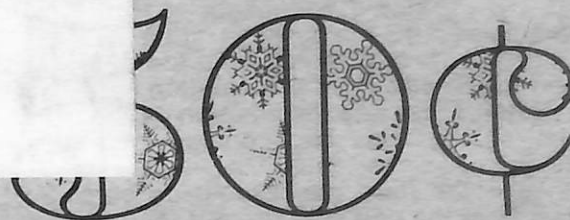




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Council Set To Approve Formation Of New Municipal Golf Commission

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

The formation of a Municipal Golf Commission is expected to receive final approval at the February 7th meeting of the Town Council, and immediate confirmation of the five commissioners nominated by Mayor Christopher C. Johnson is nearly certain.

Johnson proposed the formation of a commission to oversee the management of the 100-acre Agawam Country Club purchased by the town for \$1.25 million in November 1993.

In mid-January, Johnson announced his choices to fill the five seats on the commission.

They are:

Dean T. Godek, an amateur golf champion experienced in golf merchandising; **Victor J. Carra**, senior vice-president of Westfield Savings Bank; **Julie Siciliano**, assistant professor of management at Western New England College; Attorney **Gary P. Shannon**, formerly a member of the Planning Board; and local television and radio talk show host **Dan Yorke**.

SEE GOLF COMMISSION - Page 2....

Senior Center Pool Players Bring Back Good Ole Days Of Comradery

by Peggy Shoemaker
Advertiser News Feature Writer

The Agawam Senior Center Billiards Club ranks right up there if one judges a billiards club by its membership, time spent playing, loyalty, atmosphere, and skill. One member after the other will say that the Senior Center Billiards Club provides them with fun, competition, and friendships in a pleasant environment.

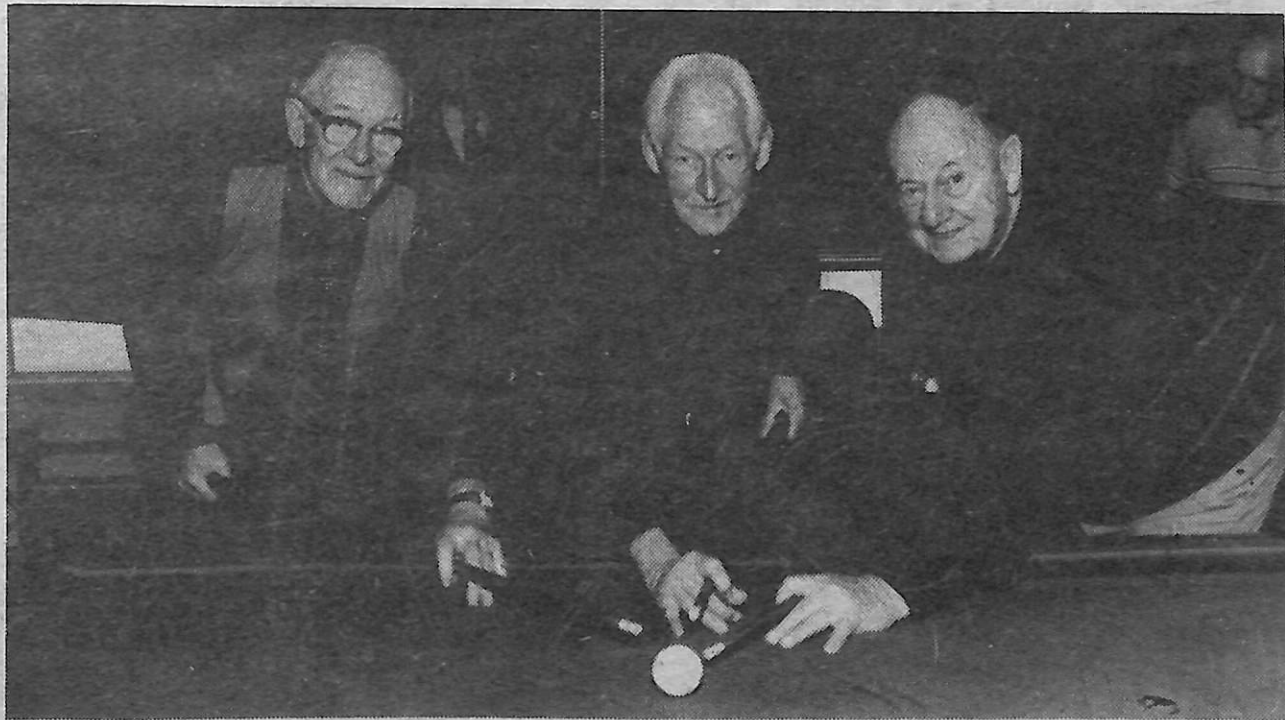
The billiards area is located at the far end of the Agawam Senior Center's main hall (that extends from the entrance). If the hall were an "L" shape, the playing area would be the small part of the "L."

Windows line two sides of the area, and there are chairs along the walls for observers as well as players. Cue sticks hang from wall racks and trophies won in tournaments are displayed. A huge bulletin board shows schedules, a list of members' names, postcards, photos, and newspaper clippings or stories and pictures about the club.

The focus of the area is the four green-covered pool tables, and often four games are in progress. Members can come to play at any time of the day that the Center is open. The pool tables are gifts from the Agawam Lions Club, the Polish-American Club, and the Springfield Turnverein (German Club). The fourth table was purchased by the membership. The Turnverein and Polish Clubs also donate funds toward the upkeep of the equipment. Cue sticks and table tops require maintenance.

The Men's Billiards Club has 45 members and is run by a committee of three persons: **Ted Dynia** of Springfield Street, **Bill Case** of Maynard Street, and **John Balas** of West Springfield. Balas is treasurer. Dues are \$13 per year, with \$1 off for prompt payment. This includes the annual banquet, held at an area restaurant.

SEE POOL PLAYERS - Families Section...



AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER POOL PLAYERS, from left - Ted Dynia, Bill Case, and John Balas enjoy a game last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DA WILLIAM M. BENNETT

Bennett Announces Bid For 2nd DA Term

District Attorney William M. Bennett announced on Thursday he is a candidate for reelection as District Attorney for Hampden County.

A formal reception to announce his upcoming campaign was held on Thursday, February 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at the Storowton Tavern Carriage House in West Springfield. Sheriff Michael J. Ashe Jr. introduced the District Attorney as well as honored guests from throughout the Commonwealth.

Having first been elected in the fall of 1991, Bennett has made major changes in providing expanded services to the citizens of Hampden County.

As District Attorney, Bennett has established full-time staff offices in Westfield, Chicopee, Palmer, Springfield Juvenile Court, and Holyoke District Court.

These offices provide direct services to these communities and personal contact with the victims and witnesses. His office is continuously "trying to move the law forward to protect the public interest as well as protect the rights of the victims."

Bennett has also "brought the courtroom into the classroom" by having assistant district attorneys speak at local schools to explain the role of the District Attorney's Office and highlight crime issues.

Other educational seminars have been created to brief teachers, police officers, and firefighters on the continuing changes in the law.

New prosecution units have also been created in the District Attorney's Office by crime categories such as homicides, major felony unit, a sexual assault/domestic violence unit, a civil rights and consumer unit, a drunk driving/vehicular homicide unit, and a juvenile crime unit.

A speedy trial tracking system is also in place to ensure swift prosecution.

GOLF COMMISSION - from Page 1...

Johnson said the commission will "assist in preparing the budget and will be responsible for setting fees for the course and for writing the rules and regulations" governing the course.

Each of the five commissioners will bring their own expertise to the commission and will "play different roles in different facets of the operation," Johnson said.

Hiring A Manager

Johnson said the town will be hiring a manager to run the day-to-day operation of the course. He said he expects to have a resolution asking the Town Council to create the position on its agenda at one of the next two regularly scheduled meetings.

Although the town can expect no surplus of revenue from the golf course until the bonds are paid off in 10 to 15 years, Johnson said his vision for the future would be to have the course provide a "revenue stream" to support recreational activities in the town.

Johnson said he will be asking the Town Council to set up a revolving account for any funds raised by the course to be dedicated for use by the Park & Recreation Department, rather than to include any future revenue from the course into the town's General Fund.

Johnson said he hopes to have the account established "to set policy into the future." Johnson said, "It is my vision to have a recreational facility generating money dedicated for recreational activities in the future."

The Mayor is planning to request start-up funds for the course at the February 7th meeting of the Town Council. At presstime, the amount of the request had not been decided.

Weather permitting, the course is expected to open in April or May.

Melconian Announces Senate Tightening Of Drunk Driving Law

Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has announced that last week, the Senate voted unanimously to toughen drunk driving laws, which have remained virtually unchanged for seven years. The main thrust of the legislation was reducing the blood-alcohol level that denotes "legal" impairment to .08 from .10.

Melconian stated, "Massachusetts had been given low marks over the past few years by various highway safety groups, like Mothers Against Drunk Driving, in part because the current standards of drunken driving have gone unchanged and underreviewed. It is indeed a victory that the legislature has taken this progressive, and preventive, measure."

Besides the blood-alcohol reduction measure, the bill would also: allow state courts to count out-of-state offenses and offenses dating back 10 years in determining whether someone is a repeat drunk driver; would set a .02 blood-alcohol limit for drivers under 21 and would revoke a driver's license if they exceed the limit or refuse a breath test; increase fines and penalties for driving under the influence; and allow police to immediately confiscate the driver's license of an offender who registers impaired or refuses a breathalyzer.

Melconian concluded, "Other states who have imposed these stricter laws have a marked decrease in drunk driving fatalities. This legislation seeks to protect not only those who may be offenders, but also those who may be victims."

Council Mtg. Agenda For Monday, Feb. 7th

1. Citizen's Speak Time
2. Roll Call
3. Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Minutes - Regular Council Meeting of 1/26/94
5. Declaration from Council President
6. Presentation of Petitions, Memorials & Remonstrances

(a) Resolutions

1. TR-94-1, A Resolution Confirming the Appointments of the Members of the Municipal Golf Commission (Mayor).

7. Report of Council Committees**8. Elections**

None.

9. Public Hearings

None.

10. Old Business**(a) Orders**

1. TOR-93-6-An Ordinance Establishing Section 3-8B of the Code of the Town of Agawam entitled "Municipal Golf Commission." (Mayor)(2nd Reading).

11. New Business**(a) Orders**

1. TOR-94-1-An Ordinance to amend the Code of the Town of Agawam, Chapter 180, Art. VII, entitled "Business A District." (Set Public Hearing Date - Suggest 3/7/94).
2. TO-94-5-Voucher List (\$45.00).
3. TO-94-6-Application for Class II Dealer License, Park Place Auto Sales, 1688 Main St., Agawam, MA (Set Public Hearing Date - Suggest 2/22/94).

Any Deductions To Itemize—Ask IRS For Help

Continuing tax changes make it possible for many taxpayers to file the simpler 1040A and 1040EZ forms. However, millions of taxpayers may find it to their advantage to itemize deductions on the 1040 form.

Generally, you will benefit from itemizing deductions if, during the year, you paid interest and taxes on a home you own, paid large uninsured medical and dental expenses, made large charitable contributions to qualified charities, or

had major uninsured casualty losses. Even some employee business expenses may be deductible.

To itemize your deductions, you must file Form 1040 and fill in Schedule A (Form 1040). Schedule A provides space for listing deductible medical and dental expenses, charitable contributions, taxes, interest paid, casualty or theft losses, and miscellaneous items such as union dues or business-related educational expenses. Those who can't itemize can still use Form 1040 to claim other items, such as the penalty on early

withdrawals of savings.

You should keep records of your deductible items, including canceled checks and receipts. This will verify your expenses if the IRS examines your return. It will also help you determine whether your itemized deductions are greater than the standard deduction—the basic deduction allowed for those who do not itemize. You can refer to your tax forms instruction package to help you figure the best deduction to use.

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Letters To The Editor

AAN Video Reviewer Gets High Marks For Column

To The Editor:

I want to commend Louis Pisano, who reviews videos for *The Agawam Advertiser*, for his top-notch, honest review of movies. When reading his reviews, one would suspect that he has high personal standards of right and wrong, and that he is concerned about the type of movies that we all watch. I respect and applaud that!

Most movie reviewers summarize the events in a movie seemingly without conscience or moral standards at all. I appreciate Mr. Pisano's up-front description of "smut" when a movie is nothing more than just that. I believe that he does right when he discourages his readers from supporting movies that are morally degrading.

I just picked up the January 27th issue of the *Advertiser*, and Mr. Pisano made the announcement that he will include a suggested age limit at the end of each of his reviews in the hope that children will be allowed to watch only films that are wholesome and age-appropriate. This type of guidance is greatly needed, especially when the maze of movies that are loaded with "hype" and "smut" is steadily increasing.

We need more reviewers who have the "guts" to accurately describe things as right and wrong. Thank you, Mr. Pisano, and keep up the good work of honest, caring reviews of the movies!

Jeanne Mozdzanowski
57 Stony Hill Road
Feeding Hills

Congrats To Rep. Walsh For Being Cautious On Riverboats

To The Editor:

Congratulations to our Representative Michael Walsh for wanting to study the idea of riverboat casino gambling very carefully before endorsing it. I am surprised and wonder why Senator Melconian has endorsed the idea so wholeheartedly.

Certainly we should listen to the objections of Attorney General Scott Harshbarger, who by virtue of his office and investigations, has warned of the problems other states have encountered. I

wonder if any studies have been made as to what income classes spend the most on gambling.

There were two articles on the same page in *The (Springfield) Union-News* not too long ago. One article was about some promoters telling the benefits to be derived from riverboat casinos; the other article was telling of a meeting for Gamblers' Anonymous. That should warn us of some problems.

As responsible citizens, we should be careful, too, of the message we are sending to our young people. Responsible government and citizens should be willing to pay for the education, police, fire protection, and town services needed. The principle of taxes is a better principle than gambling for the finances needed to have good government.

Dorothy E. Major
Agawam

Elm Street Fire Station Comes Through For Residents

To The Editor:

On January 19th (the recent snow/ice storm), we were in need of help from our Elm Street fire station.

We want to thank them for their kindness, genuine concern, and quick response on such a busy morning; we really have a great crew at the Elm Street station!

We are very grateful!

Thank you,
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Granger Holiday Workshop Thanks Us For Support

To The Editor:

I would like to thank *The Agawam Advertiser*, Jack Devine, and Kathy Cassanelli for the wonderful article on our Granger Holiday workshop. I'm pleased to announce that it was a complete success, and that we have already started purchasing for this year.

I would like to acknowledge the people that I forgot, who came to work every week to make our 1993 sale a success. And they are: Donna O., Donna N., Julia A., Karen F., Debbie Z., Joyce D., Wendy M., and Doreen G.

Without these people and all of the other helpers, we would not have a workshop. Thanks so much to all.

Cheryl Panek
Granger School Holiday Workshop

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C. WRIGHT PEARSON, who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7 of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the alteration of a building at the premises identified as 1779 MAIN STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald A. Hebert
Chairman

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Kennelly & Neal Urge Appointment Of Envoy To Irish Peace Talks

The Clinton administration should appoint a special envoy to Northern Ireland to further assist in the peace process, urged Congresswoman Barbara B. Kennelly (D-1st CT) and Congressman Richard Neal (D-2nd MA). Kennelly and Neal wrote to President Clinton this week about appointing an envoy and praising his decision to grant a visa to admit activist Gerry Adams to the United States.

"We believe the U.S. should play a more active and constructive role in helping secure a just, lasting, and peaceful resolution of the troubles in Northern Ireland," wrote Kennelly and Neal in the letter. "Granting Gerry Adams a visa to enter the United States is an important step toward that end."

"Recent events have created a unique window of opportunity for progress toward peace in Northern Ireland. For this reason we hope you will capitalize on this opportunity, build on the momentum created by the Adams visa, and appoint a special envoy to Northern Ireland."

"Last September, we sat on the White House lawn and watched Israeli Prime Minister Rabin and Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Arafat shake hands and agree to work toward Middle East peace. We believe that if these ancient enemies can come together for the common good of their people and the world, then anything is possible. In addition, we have also seen African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and President DeKlerk come together."

"We again congratulate you on the decision to admit Gerry Adams into the United States and hope you will seriously consider increasing the level of U.S. assistance to the peace process in Northern Ireland," concluded Kennelly and Neal.

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Monday, February 7th
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Walsh Says Legislature Had Impressive Year

Reeling off an impressive list of over a dozen major successes the Legislature accomplished during the 1993 session, Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam), says last year was a significant year for Massachusetts and the people he serves.

"Some experts on Beacon Hill would say that our ability to adopt and maintain a balanced state budget, while also overseeing improvements of the state's bond rating (now at A-plus), would be a fairly good indication of the resolve the Legislature has to address the needs of Massachusetts. Naturally quite proud to have contributed to the fiscal stability that was sorely lacking in some previous years at the State House, I am also extremely pleased to have been able to do much more than that," exclaimed Rep. Walsh.

In addition to the balanced budget and increased bond ratings, Walsh points to the following list as reasons for such glee:

EDUCATION REFORM: A comprehensive and ambitious education bill providing additional state funding and requiring far reaching reforms for grades K-12;

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & JOB CREATION: A proactive plan to invest and encourage development and growth in a variety of business areas;

NEW BOSTON GARDEN: By holding out for a better "deal" for taxpayers, tens of millions was

saved while also paving the way for construction, and related job and business opportunities, associated with the new Boston Garden;

LOCAL AID: Was increased by \$20 million in unrestricted aid, while another \$4.3 million was approved for local libraries and \$5 million for community policing;

WATER AND SEWER FUNDING: A first-of-its-kind \$30 million program was adopted to provide funding assistance and rate relief to communities and ratepayers suffering financial burdens from water and sewer infrastructure spending;

TRUTH-IN-SENTENCING: Requiring sentenced criminals to serve the time they are actually given, without the many past provisions that reduced that time by up to 90%;

PHOSPHATES REDUCTION: Limiting the chemicals which pose hazards to the drinking and recreational use of water;

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Providing an additional \$2.2 million for the prosecution of batterers and the housing of those being battered;

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE: Was returned back to solvency, saving business as much as \$180 million a year;

MEDIGAP INSURANCE: Costs will now be lowered for seniors who need to bridge the gap between medical costs and what other insurances will pay;

DEAD BEAT DADS: Giving the Department of Revenue better access to records and authority to

levy pay and lottery winnings of parents refusing to support their children;

VICTIMS COMPENSATION: Improving upon the collection and timeliness of funds used to aid victims of crime.

Including \$5 million more for AIDS, \$1.1 million and mandatory insurance coverage of bone marrow transplants for breast cancer, free prescription drugs for low income elderly and the indigent, new health care coverage for children of the working poor, drug free zones around parks and playgrounds, new child abuse and home invasion statutes, the hiring of an additional 200 state police officers and Gulf War veterans' bonuses, Walsh says the production, while maybe surprising to some, has truly been magnificent.

"If you listen to the so-called 'pundits' who continually knock the Legislature for rightly being a 'deliverative' body, you would think chaos reigned supreme and loafing was the order of the day. Given, however, all that we accomplished in 1993, I am very proud of our record and even prouder to know that my efforts are indeed making a positive difference in our courts, classrooms, homes, and businesses," said Walsh.

Looking forward to enjoying more success in 1994, Walsh's resolution for this year is not much different than last's.

"Continue crafting a public policy that is responsive to the needs of the people I represent," resolved Walsh.

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TOWN OF AGAWAM AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, February 10, 1994 at 7:15 PM in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, Agawam Police Station, 681 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131 Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of Joseph Russo to perform work subject to the Wetlands Protection Act on the northerly side of Mill Street.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission
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By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald A. Hebert
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School Committee Votes On LPVEC; AIDS Night Set

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

At its January 25th meeting, the School Committee defeated a resolution to appoint former committee member Louis Massoia as its representative to the Lower Pioneer Valley Educational Collaborative (LPVEC) by a vote of 5-1-1. Mayor Christopher C. Johnson (Chairman) voted yes, and member Louise David abstained.

Attempting to amend the resolution in favor of an active School Committee member being appointed, member Susan Pettazzoni said, "This is not a judgement of Mr. Massoia. He was a fantastic School Committee member."

However, Mrs. Pettazzoni said she, as well as other School Committee members, felt the committee would be "giving up our duty" as a School Committee by appointing a non-member. "We shouldn't set a dangerous precedent at this time," she added.

Linda Galarneau agreed that the alternate delegate to the LPVEC, Teresa Kozloski, should take over the position until it can be determined which member is interested in the job.

On its next agenda, the committee will be getting an updated list of the standing subcommittees. They will make their assignment preferences known to the Mayor at that time. Johnson said he would announce the committee assignments at the meeting scheduled for February 22nd.

Superintendent of Schools Bernard F. Ryder announced the retirement of Phelps School Principal William Miller effective January 31st. Ryder said he is forming a search committee to begin the process of finding a new principal.

The position will be advertised with a closing date of March 1st, 1994. The salary range is \$44,900 to \$50,000.

Ryder said he will appoint an interim principal to finish out the academic year. Furthermore, he said his appointee will not be a candidate for the position (so as to eliminate the possibility of any one candidate having a perceived advantage).

Connie Hutton, Health Coordinator (K-12), reported to the committee on her progress in rewriting the health curriculum. To date, curriculum review and rewrite has been completed through grade seven.

Mrs. Hutton said funds have been obtained from the Health Protection Fund (commonly referred to as tobacco grants) to train 24 school employees to work with students on smoking cessation.

Mrs. Hutton said two AIDS Awareness Nights for parents will be held early in March before AIDS Education is presented in the schools.

The Early Retirement incentive program was tabled to the February 22nd meeting.

Due to funding restored by the Education Reform Act, the Massachusetts education assessment tests will be given to students in grades four, eight, and 10 during the period March 21st through April 8th.

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by Fire Chief David Pisano

More people die from home fires than any other kind. Over 5,000 people perish every year in home fires because they don't know what to do. Hopefully, your family has prepared and practiced a Home Fire Escape Plan.

One important part of such a plan is locating and learning to use emergency ways out and alternate routes to safety. The Agawam Fire Department suggests that you practice using emergency exits to make sure they are usable. It's too late to discover your window is stuck shut and won't open when a fire has occurred.

In most homes and apartments, emergency exits are usually windows or stairways. Make sure windows can be opened and that screens and storm windows can be removed from the inside. Make sure children can operate locks and know to get out quickly, not to wait for you. If they cannot get out, they should know to wait at the window for help, where the firefighters can see them. Make sure everybody learns to stay low and crawl to the nearest exit.

If bedrooms are on the second floor, provide folding ladders. Most fatal home fires begin at night while we are asleep. Escape ladders can be made of light rope. Metal ladders made for escape can be purchased at most hardware stores.

Although most people plan to tie bedsheets together to form a rope, there is usually not time to do that in a fire. Jumping from second-story windows can cause severe injuries.

If you live in an apartment or condominium and your enclosed stairways are your emergency exits, practice finding these in the dark. First, count the number of doors from your room to the exit stairway. You probably won't be able to see the exit sign above the door through smoke.

Once in the stairway, go down to the outside. Go up to the roof only if you are forced by smoke. Most fire departments do not have helicopters ready to scoop you off rooftops. Remember, do not block the exit stairway doors open. Once smoke enters the stairway, your escape route is not safe.

Your family may have several alternate routes to take in case of fire. Make sure you practice all of them as much as possible. Fast actions are needed in a fire, and trained responses help those happen.

If you family does not have a Home Fire Escape Plan, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662 for information and assistance in developing a plan for your home.

Agawam Obituaries

Marsha Bader

Marsha (Miller) Bader, 57, of 100 Grassy Gutter Road, Longmeadow, a retired mathematics teacher at Agawam High School, died at home.

She taught for more than 10 years, and retired last year.

Born in Greenfield, she lived in Longmeadow for more than 30 years.

She received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Massachusetts in 1958. She worshipped at the Sinai Temple in Springfield.

She leaves a son, David of Agawam; two daughters, Susan Nadeau and Lynn Hurley of Springfield; a brother, Dr. Kenneth of Snyder, New York; and a close friend, Ralph W. Gajewski.

The funeral was held at the Sinai Temple, with burial in Sinai Memorial Park, both in Springfield. Harold R. Ascher & Son Memorial Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 44 Binney Street, Boston, MA 02115.

Harry C. Bedore

Harry C. Bedore, 79, of 22 Pierce Street, Agawam, died at Mercy Hospital in Springfield. He was a machinist at the former Rexnord Chainbelt Co. in Springfield for 25 years, and retired in 1980.

He was born in Rutland, Vermont, and lived in Springfield for several years before moving to Feeding Hills 25 years ago. He bowled, fished, and hunted.

His wife, the former Florence Brown, died in 1982.

Bedore leaves a son, Sgt. Major Richard Wilson in Germany; a brother, Russell of Wilbraham; three sisters, Evelyn Ober and Sylvia Dunlop of Florida, and Jeanne Mengle of Otis; two nieces, and a nephew.

The funeral was held at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, with burial at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions may be made to Friends of the Homeless, Inc., 769 Worthington Street, Springfield.



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Amicable New Council Glides Thru Meeting; New Committee Assignments Announced

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Postponed from January 18th due to hazardous road conditions, the first working session of the new Town Council was held on Wednesday, January 26th in the Middle School auditorium.

In what may have been the shortest and most amicable session in recent memory, councilors approved each resolution or motion by a vote of 10 yes and one absent with little debate or discussion, prompting Councilor Thomas J. Ennis to observe, "I think the citizens of Agawam are going to see a kinder and gentler Town Council."

Councilors approved the first reading of the ordinance establishing the Municipal Golf Commission. Under council rules, an ordinance must have three readings at two separate meetings of the council before it can be enacted.

Councilor Walter Balboni asked that the rules be suspended so that the council could approve the commissioners nominated by Mayor Christopher C. Johnson.

Balboni said, "It is imperative to have the commission members appointed" (as time is running out since most Agawam golf courses open on April 1st).

With the next council meeting scheduled for February 7th, Balboni said, "It is imperative we get going; we are losing time."

Council President James Taylor said he was not opposed to what Balboni wanted to do, but the rules would not permit commissioners to be appointed until the required second and third readings of the ordinance were completed.

Council Vice-President George Bitzas said, "Two weeks would not make a difference and we cannot break the law."

Councilor Vivian Dziardziel said she was not sure the present situation called for an emergen-

cy suspension of the rules, and Ennis agreed that the proposal should take the normal course of approval.

The council approved the transfer of \$63,698 from the reserve fund to depleted snow and ice removal accounts.

Taylor explained that projections on the cost of snow and ice removal are based on a 10-year average and the severity of this year's weather has exhausted the snow accounts. "This year is far exceeding the average for snowfall and the crews have been working around the clock," Taylor said.

The council appropriated \$30,700 for the rental of snow removal equipment; \$18,263 for DPW overtime; \$8,810 for Water Department overtime; and \$5,925 for wastewater workers' overtime.

Taylor announced the 1994 committee assignments.

Citizen's Award Committee: Robert J. Danie, chairman, Thomas Ennis, Vivian Dziardziel.

Council Clerk Review, The Ad Hoc Committee: Nancy Thompson Gravel, chairman, Vivian Dziardziel, David Skolnick.

Licensing Committee: George Bitzas, chairman, Nancy Thompson Gravel, Edward Caba.

Ordinance Committee: Walter Balboni, chairman, George Bitzas, Nancy Thompson Gravel.

Recycling and Solid Waste Disposal: Thomas Ennis, chairman, Robert Danie, Walter Balboni.

Route 57 Committee: Thomas Ennis, chairman, Jill Simpson, Edward Caba.

Rules Committee: Vivian Dziardziel, chairman, David Skolnick, Nancy Thompson Gravel.

Senior Citizen Liason Committee: Gary Suffriti, chairman, Robert Danie, Walter Balboni.

Utilities and Street Acceptance: Edward Caba, chairman, David Skolnick, Jill Simpson.

Zoning Review Committee: Jill Simpson, chairman, Robert Danie, George Bitzas, Vivian Dziardziel, Gary Suffriti.

School Budget Committee: Jill Simpson, chairman, Walter Balboni, David Skolnick, Robert Danie, Nancy Thompson Gravel.

Budget Committee Number One (which includes administrative functions at Town Hall): Edward Caba, chairman, Nancy Thompson Gravel, Gary Suffriti.

Budget Committee Number Two (which includes fire, police, weights and measures, and the health department): David Skolnick, chairman, Vivian Dziardziel, Thomas Ennis.

Budget Committee Number Three (which includes administration of highway and grounds, engineering, motor vehicle maintenance, library and building maintenance): Gary Suffriti, chairman, George Bitzas, Walter Balboni.

Doreen A. Prouty was appointed as a regular member of the Board of Appeals to a term expiring January 1st, 1997.

Larry Hoague was appointed as an alternate member of the Board of Appeals to a term expiring January 1st, 1997.

Election of a member to the AEDIC was taken off the agenda as there were no applicants.

Councilors approved the transfer of a Class II dealer license, J & M Auto, 1801 Main Street, Agawam to Wright Pearson. Pearson told the council he will continue to operate the lot as the previous owner had. The license allows 25 cars on the lot. There was no opposition to the transfer of the license.

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By using the label, it saves a few pennies on each return, which adds up to the government saving hundreds of thousands of dollars. It costs 9¢ to process just the name portion of a tax return that has the label attached, as opposed to 42¢ without the label. For every million returns that have the label, the savings is \$330,000; and the IRS service centers processed over 100 million individual income tax returns that were mailed in at tax time last year!

In addition to cost savings, using the label reduces the chance that illegible handwriting or an incorrect social security number will slow down processing of your tax return or even prevent the IRS from getting your refund to you. Your social security number, name, address, and other identifying data are all on the preprinted label. If you need to make any changes, carefully make them right on the label. Use the label even if you do not use the tax forms in the tax packaged you received.

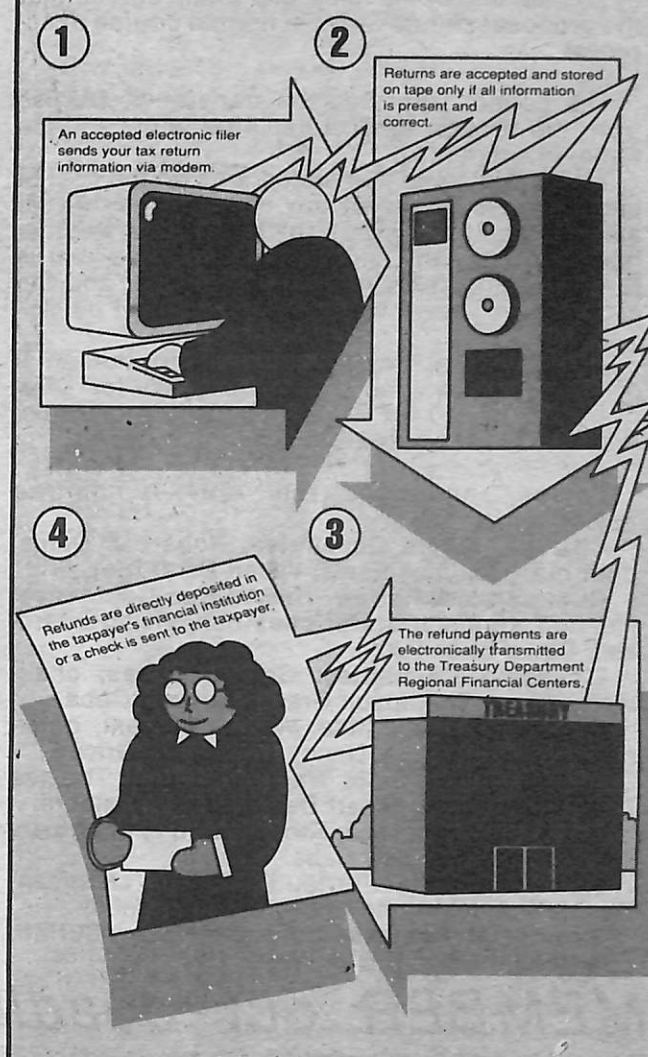
A common misconception is that using the peel-off address label will trigger an audit. Actually, coding on the label identifies the filer and kind of forms contained in the package. It does not in any way indicate the return should be audited.

Errors can be avoided by using the special envelope in your tax package. It is preaddressed to help get it to its proper service center, and the coding speeds its sorting within the annual deluge of mail each center receives. If you moved during the year, mail your return to the Internal Revenue Service Center for the place where you currently live. No street address is needed.

Make sure you use sufficient postage on your envelope when mailing your return. If your envelope contains more than five pages, it may require additional postage. Oversized envelopes also may require more postage.

Returns sent back to taxpayers for additional postage will not be considered filed on time, even if they were originally mailed by April 15th. Also, your envelope should include your complete return address in the upper left corner, to ensure your postal service can return it to you if necessary.

The Journey of an Electronically Filed Tax Return



If you go to someone to have your return prepared, take your tax package with you. The preparer can use the label and envelope for your return.

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Democrats To Caucus In Agawam Feb. 12th

Registered Democrats in Agawam will be holding a caucus on Saturday, February 12th, 1994 at 2:00 p.m. to elect delegates to the 1994 Massachusetts Democratic Convention.

Agawam will be electing 14 delegates and four alternates (equally divided between men and women) to send to the Convention. The apportioned number of delegates has been allocated on the basis of a formula giving equal weight to the Democratic Party registration and the average vote for Democratic candidates in the last general elections for Governor and President, for which figures were available at the time delegate tabulations were prepared.

Thomas J. Ennis, Jr. will call the caucus at the Faolin Peirce Community Room of the Agawam Police Department, 681 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. The caucus is open to all registered Democrats, persons ineligible to register, and media representatives.

The only persons eligible to participate in any portion of the caucus are those who are registered Democrats in Agawam as of December 31st, 1993. There will be no absentee or proxy voting.

Candidates for delegate and alternate must also be present, voting and giving his/her written consent to be nominated, and that nomination must be seconded by two persons present at the caucus.

All ballots will be written and secret. Those candidates receiving the greatest number of votes on the first ballot will be elected.

There will be no admission or expense charge at the caucus, although donations may be solicited.

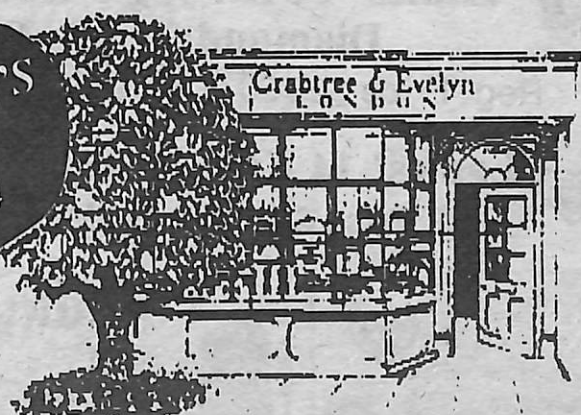
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"Life In My Country" At Jr. Women's Club By AFS Students

"Life in My Country," a program featuring American Intercultural Program (AFS) students and sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club, was held Tuesday evening, January 25th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Senior Center. The program was originally scheduled for January 18th but was postponed due to the inclement weather.

A brief presentation was made by each student, all of whom are members of the senior class at Agawam High School.

According to **Joana Monteiro Grillo** from Portugal, most students in her country who are interested in education enter private schools. In her country, it is difficult to get into a public school.

To do so, a student must work incredibly hard (unlike in public schools in America, she said). The drinking age in Portugal is 18, and there are no McDonald's Restaurants in her country. She feels American schools are strict.

From the Czech Republic, **Alena Rusava** reminded us how important our country's freedom is. She refreshed our memories that Czechoslovakia is no longer under Communist rule, and that her country won its independence in January 1993. She would not have been able to visit the United States if freedom had not been obtained. She reminds us that once freedom was obtained, education improved and people in her nation were no longer isolated from other cultures.

Along with freedom came an influx of a variety of goods. Where once they only had bananas and oranges at Christmas, they could now get them throughout the year. School is not mandatory at the high school level in the Czech Republic; therefore, only the best students get into high school and, again, schools are less strict there than they are here.

Martin Asp from Sweden informed us that there are no school buses as we know them here in the United States. Students in Sweden take bicycles or public transportation to school. Schools do not offer sports programs either; however, students are encouraged to take advantage of sports which are offered by local sporting clubs.

The drinking age in Sweden is 18, but many students in Sweden are firm believers in the designated driver system and rarely abuse the drinking privilege. If a student is caught drinking behind the wheel, it is considered a serious offense resulting in several days in jail.

To get a driver's license in Sweden is quite an ordeal. Many tests must be taken under several driving conditions. Students begin high school in Sweden at age 16. But, as we learned throughout the course of the evening, terminology as to what high school and grammar school is differs from country to country.

The last student to speak was **Yvonne Hodel** from Switzerland. She informed us that she either rode her bike or took the train to get to school. She also felt that students in her country were granted more freedom to leave the school during breaks than those in the United States. She also



AGAWAM HIGH American Intercultural Program students (AFS) were guests of the Agawam Junior Women's Club on January 25th. From left - Pamela Quirk, Jr. Women's Club; Martin Asp, Sweden; Alena Rusava, Czech Republic; Joana Monteiro Grillo, Portugal; Yvonne Hodel, Switzerland; and Ann Woodward, Jr. Women's Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

explained about the different phases that one goes through for a career in her country.

School is mandatory until a student reaches the age of 16. After 16, they can choose between business school, work, or prepare themselves for higher education. Before they enter college, they study for 2½ years in what is referred to as "Grammar School."

The consensus among our foreign friends is that students from foreign countries have more responsibility early in life and therefore mature much faster than students in the United States. Foreign students who choose to go to school must make more choices that affect future goals, such as continuing education, usage of free time (attending discos), knowledge of available public transportation, and available sporting clubs in their community. For every choice they make, they must assume responsibility for that choice.

If they abuse that responsibility, it could result in fairly stiff penalties, such as expulsion from school forever or lengthy jail sentences. In short, the punishment could prevent one from achieving a life-long goal. There is less opportunity in foreign countries to receive a "second chance" or even a "third" as we know it here in the United States.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts.

Macaroni & Meatball Supper To Be Held At St. John's Parish Ctr.

Back by popular demand, "super chef" Jennie Christopher and her crew will be cooking and serving up macaroni and meatballs dinners on Thursday, February 10th, at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, 833 Main Street, Agawam. Servings will be from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Assisting as chefs and servers will be Alice Buell, Rose Dean, Rosemarie Fazio, Ann Jackobek, Helen Lenihan, Marge Disco, Sheryl Mardeusz, Rita Moore, Alice Pietronero, Evelyn Romano, Peg Saliba, Ann Sorel, Millie Vassallo, and Janet Wysocki.

Barbara Gingras is in charge of tickets, which can be purchased at the door or from any member of the committee. Adult tickets are \$4.50; children under 12 years of age are \$2.50. Take-out dinners are also available.

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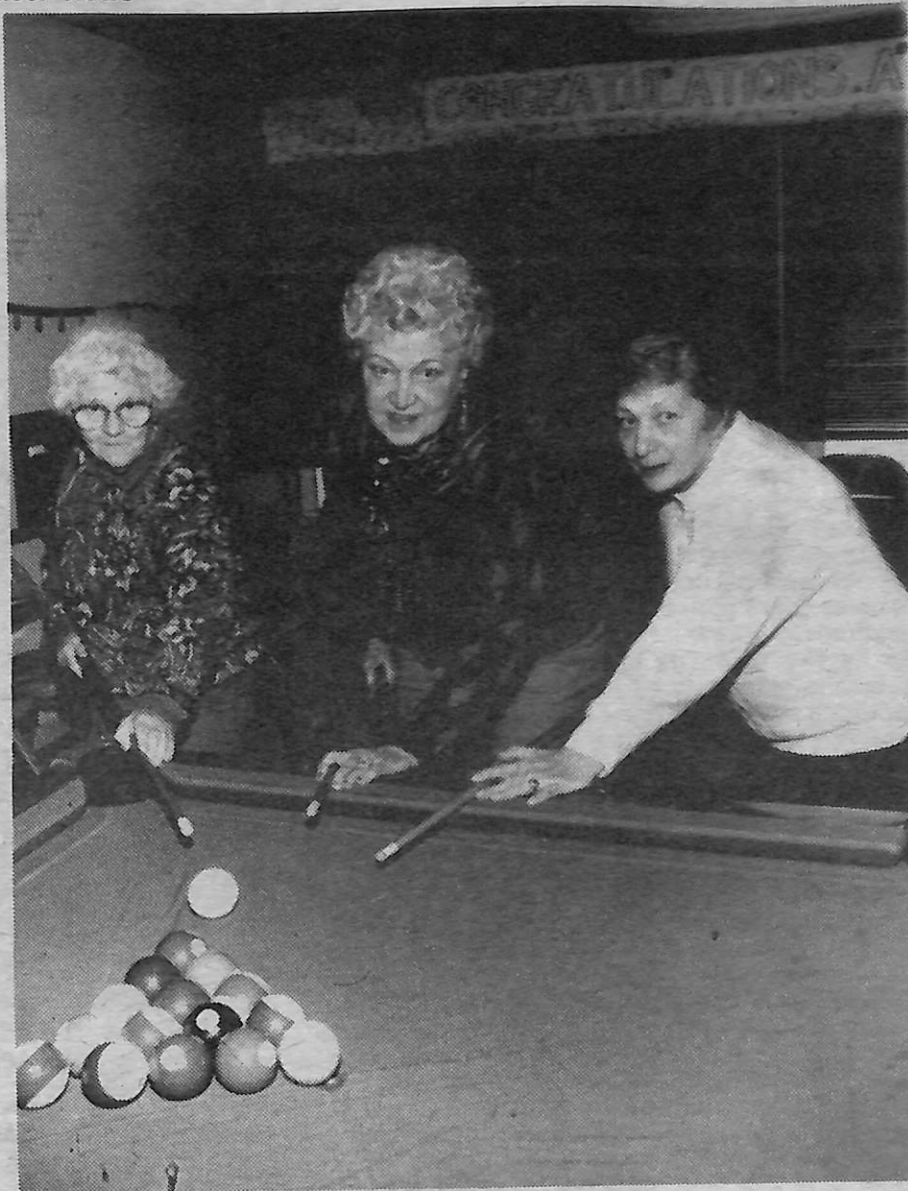
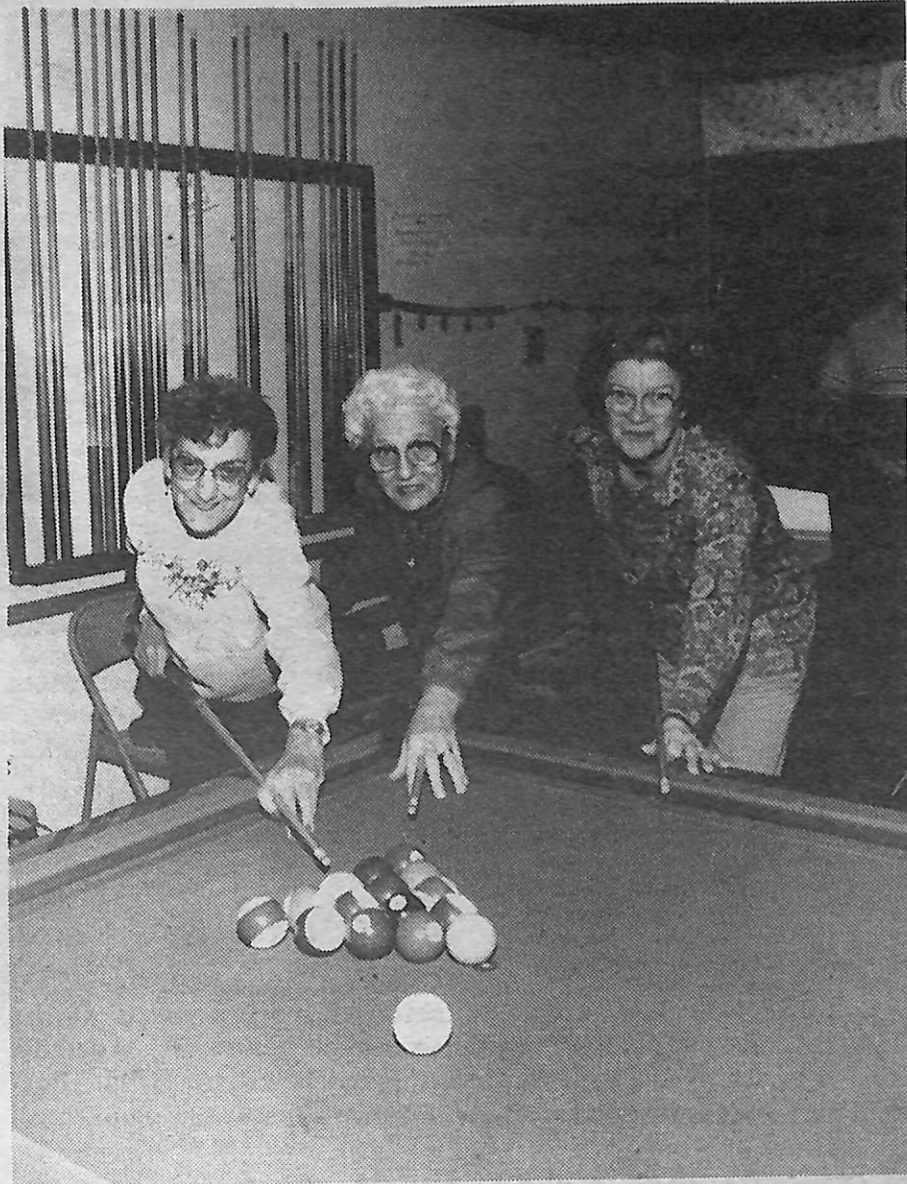
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WOMEN ARE ALSO POOL SHARKS at the Agawam Senior Center. From left - Fern Senecal, Nellie Wright, Florence McCloud, Gladys Francozio, Gina Sacco, and Vi Presz. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

POOL PLAYERS - from Page 1...

Ladies Also Take Their "Cues"...

Several years ago, a group of ladies who frequent the Center requested playing time at the pool tables. The time of 1:00 p.m. on Tuesdays was set and maintained. There has been a fluctuation of eight to 12 women involved, and they are included in the banquet. Dynia said that the women could play with the men, but they prefer their own time.

Gladys Francozio, Betty Pond, Nellie Wright, Alice Stern, Gina Sacco, Jane Schmidt, and Beatrice DeSpirit may be among the women playing any Tuesday.

The fun, excitement, and competition is obvious as well as a little good-natured instruction.

Eight men players participate in an Inter-Council Billiards League that involves West Springfield and South Senior Centers. Jim Quinn and Alex Moodie are Agawam's representatives in this league. Two of the three teams play at 1:00 p.m. each Wednesday at alternating Senior Centers.

On January 12th, Agawam and South Hadley tied, and on January 19th, West Springfield won over Agawam 16 to 13 in West Springfield. The January 26th game was postponed due to bad weather.

The February schedule includes: February 2nd, Agawam at host South Hadley; February 9th, West Springfield and Agawam at Agawam; February 16th, West Springfield and South at South Hadley; and February 23rd, South Hadley and Agawam at Agawam.

After the March schedule is finished, the league of eight ball billiards is completed and the teams take several weeks off before a new league starts and the schedule is posted, according to Quinn. These games are all eight ball.

Seniors Versus High Schoolers

Mayor Christopher C. Johnson donated a trophy more than three years ago to encourage play between a high school team and the senior men. The senior men won it three consecutive years. This year a match has not been scheduled, but it will probably be resumed in the future.

Individual play has also upstaged in-house tour-

naments that were popular in other years. Henry Alvigini of Spencer Street organized in-house leagues for many years, but is not active at this time. Balas said there are plans to organize in-house leagues again.

A men's billiards club was active in Agawam by meeting in private homes since the 1930's, according to Mike Jabry. When the post office moved out of 770 Main Street into the building at the corner of Main and Monroe Streets, the billiards club set up in the vacated premises in 1965. When the Agawam Senior Center opened and dedicated the present Center off Wright Street in 1976, Jabry was in charge of moving the billiards equipment into the new Center.

"Of course, we had old wooden tables, not like the beautiful pool tables secured for the Center since," Jabry said.

Members love being close to the dining room, the morning coffee and lunches, the library with its books and TV, the classes, and music and games; and, in their own billiards area, they can concentrate on their game.

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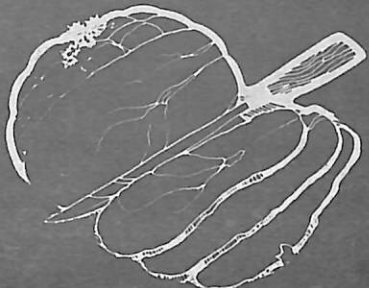
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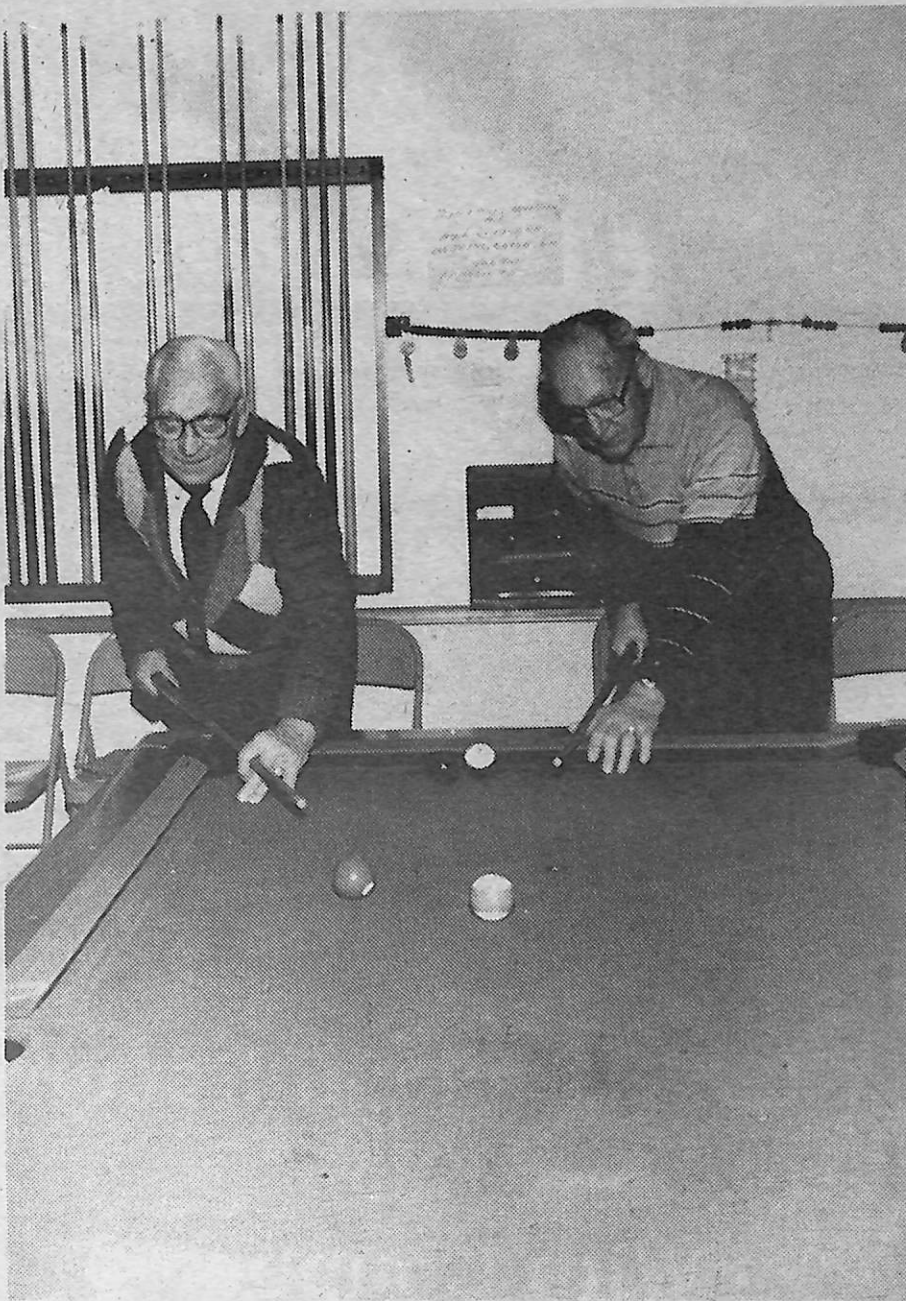
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REGULARS AROUND THE POOL TABLES at the Agawam Senior Center include, from left - Jim Quinn, Alex Moodie, Ed Colby, and Ray Gosselin. SEE RELATED STORY AND PICTURES on Pages 1 & 10. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Jr. Women's Club Has Car Seats Available

The Agawam Junior Women's Club has two Fisher Price car seats which are available to any family with an infant.

Car seats for infants are now mandatory in the State of Massachusetts. To receive a car seat, a \$10 deposit is required for use over a three-month period. At the end of three months when the car seat is returned, the \$10 deposit is refunded.

If the car seat is needed longer than three months, an extension can be made by contacting the Junior Women's Club.

The car seats are a donation from Ames Department Store for the "Buckle-Up Safety Program" sponsored by the Junior Women's Club. Call Eileen Hamre at 789-2818 or Rosalie Dialessi at 786-2616 for more information.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts.

Retirement Party Set For Fire Chief Jenks

A retirement party for Agawam Fire Chief Rusty Jenks will be held on Friday, February 11th, 1994, at the Storowton Village Carriage House in West Springfield.

The party will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run until 12:30 a.m. The donation is \$25 per person.

For tickets, contact Fire Chief David Pisano at the Agawam Fire Department, 786-2662.

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'Sweetheart Breakfast' Slated For Feb. 12th At Agawam Legion

The American Legion Auxiliary will be serving a "Sweetheart Pancake Breakfast" on February 12th at American Legion Post 185 on Springfield Street.

Servings will be from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Donation is \$3 for adults, and \$1.50 for children. Pancakes, sausages, juice, and coffee or hot chocolate will be served.

Proceeds to benefit children and youth projects. Tickets can be bought at the door or bar, and also from some members.

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February is "Friends" month at the Captain Charles Leonard House. The Board of Trustees expresses special thanks and appreciation to all those who contributed to last year's "Friends" campaign.

Your donations helped pay for a new microwave oven, five new smoke alarms, and five storm windows. The major capital improvements for the year were painting the north and south sides of the house, and tearing down and replacing the three chimneys (which were in poor condition).

The continuing maintenance and improvement to the grounds and the house are supported by you, the "Friends" and rentals. Last year 242 events were held, with an attendance of over 7,413 people. The house is available for club meetings, luncheons, dinners, piano recitals, showers, and weddings.

Please help the trustees again this year by taking part in this campaign to preserve Agawam's beautiful, historical community house. Send your gift in any amount to:

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Your gift is tax-deductible. Remember ... we need your support! Thank you.



"I SEEM TO SEE ONCE MORE, the captain flinging wide the doors - to welcome guests from far and near, showing the grace of hospitality to all. So here once more, I may fulfill my destiny, by offering grace and loveliness, to all who enter here." (Words written by Mrs. (Joseph McVeigh.)

Ag. Lioness Club To Meet February 7th

The Agawam Lioness Club will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, February 7th, at the Storowton Restaurant in West Springfield.

The guest speakers for the evening will be Susan Myers from the Massachusetts Association of the Blind, and Donald Clark from Massachusetts Eye Research.

If anyone is interested in attending this meeting, please make reservations by calling Lil Doyle at 786-9586.

Jr. Women's Club Donates 14 Teddy Bears To Agawam Fire Department's EMT's

The Agawam Junior Women's Club donated 14 brand new teddy bears, some brown, some white, to the Feeding Hills Fire Department's EMT Ambulance Service in late December.

Margaret Timmons, a club member, purchased the bears from Waldbaum's Food Mart in Agawam when she learned the ambulance service was running low.

The Feeding Hills Ambulance Service has provided children with teddy bears for the last several years. Teddy bears tend to soothe children's fears during crisis situations such as a fire, car accident, flood, etc.

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News And Notes From West Side/Agawam Open Pantry

The Parent-Child Program, sponsored by the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry, is in need of a driver with a vehicle to assist with transportation for families attending the program and for field trips.

The Parent-Child Program meets Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Pre-school children attend an early childhood class while parents meet separately to design projects and discuss pertinent concerns. Beginning this month, a toy- and book-lending library has been initiated to allow parents and children to borrow books and games to share at home.

Reimbursement for transportation is 30¢ a mile. The Open Pantry carries coverage for vehicles driving for any one of its programs. Anyone interested may call the Pantry at 734-7969 between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

The West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry will hold its annual meeting on Monday, February 14th, 1994 at 5:00 p.m. in the Brooks Building at the Big E.

At this meeting, reports of 1993 will be given by Bruce Acherman, Vice-President; Bill Barbeau, Secretary; and Maurice Brodeur, Treasurer. Diane Crowell, Executive Director, will report on programs of the Pantry and introduce staff members.

Featured will be parents from the Parent-Child Program and clients of the Advocacy Program telling their own stories. William Girotti will report on Operation Santa Claus.

Three board members will be elected and a by-law change voted on.

A table offering a wide array of appetizers will be featured. In charge of arrangements are Bill and Mary Girotti, Gloria Scully, and Patrick Kearney.

Community residents are welcome to attend. RSVP to the Open Pantry at 734-7969 between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Benefit Breakfast For George Kindberg Slated

There will be a benefit breakfast for George Kindberg on Sunday morning, February 27th, at the Fairview Knights of Columbus at 1599 Memorial Drive in Chicopee. The breakfast will be held between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

The event is being organized to raise funds for George Kindberg, who is awaiting a heart and double-lung transplant. Kindberg is a Mason, a Shriner, and a former vocational school teacher. This fundraising event is being sponsored by

Dr. Steve Sobel To Speak At Ag. Library

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce that a program entitled "Creating High Self-Esteem and Success For Our Children" will be presented on Thursday, February 24th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the library.

This uplifting and inspiring program will be presented by Dr. Steve Sobel, a nationally recognized speaker and author. Dr. Sobel will present his insights and ideas on how parents can guide their children towards success in the school setting, as well as how to help their children reach their potential and "go for their dreams" in life.

Enjoy practical ideas presented in a very lively and supportive manner; join us for what should prove to be a marvelous and informative evening.

Dr. Steve Sobel travels throughout the United States and Canada as the featured speaker at many school systems, parent associations, and professional groups. Steve is also a professor of Special Education at Central Connecticut State University in New Britain.

He founded and has directed the New England Institute for Stress Management in West Springfield for many years, and is also a columnist for several newspapers and magazines.

He regularly speaks on WHYN, WNNZ, and WMAS radio on issues related to self-esteem and success for children. Steve is widely known for his practical, inspirational, and often humorous views on how to enjoy life.

"Creating High Self-Esteem and Success For Our Children" is another program in an L.S.C.A. Grant entitled "Students' High Tech Multimedia Education Center," which is being funded through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners with Title I funds of L.S.C.A. (Library Services and Construction Act), a Federal source of library funding.

To register for this free program, please call the Agawam Public Library at 789-1550.



PVT. JEFFREY E. BOVAT

Jeffrey E. Bovat Completes Marine Corps Basic Training

Jeffrey E. Bovat, the son of Edward and Janice Bovat of Agawam and a 1993 graduate of Agawam High School, entered the United States Marine Corps on September 28th, 1993 on their delayed-entry program as a private first class.

Jeff was stationed at Parris Island, South Carolina, where he completed 11 weeks of basic training and graduated a marksman on December 23rd, 1993.

After 10 days' leave, he spent two weeks as a recruiter's assistant in Springfield. On January 17th, 1994, he was stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, where he is taking his M.C.T. and motor transport training.

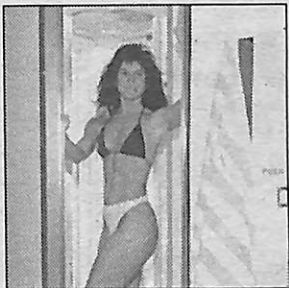
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KELLI SCOVILL & MICHAEL PETRONE

Kelli Scovill Engaged To Michael Petrone

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald L. Scovill, Jr., of 21 St. James Avenue, Enfield, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kelli Ann, to Michael Joseph Petrone.

Scovill graduated from Enrico Fermi High School, Enfield. She is employed by Coopers & Lybrand of Hartford.

Petrone is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Petrone of 59 Federal Street, Agawam. He graduated from Agawam High School and is employed as a police officer for the town of East Windsor.

The couple will be married on April 23rd, 1994.

Ag. Senior Center's Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday, February 7th: Chicken supreme, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, oatmeal bread, orange.

Tuesday, February 8th: Salisbury steak, parsleyed noodles, green beans, pumpnickel bread, chocolate pudding with whipped topping.

Wednesday, February 9th: Golden carrot soup, sliced turkey sandwich, cranberry relish, canned pears.

Thursday, February 10th: Beef pot-pie (hamburger, potatoes, carrots, onions, celery), tossed salad, Canadian oat bread, mixed fruit.

Friday, February 11th: Valentine's Day Celebration—Roast beef, baked potato, butternut squash, snowflake roll, cherry cupcake.

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As part of their continuous commitment to help those who are grieving, the Forastiere's offer two different kinds of support groups: one designed especially and solely for those who have lost a spouse, and another, open to anyone who is grieving a death.

A support group solely for spouses will be held on Wednesday, February 9th, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main St., Agawam; and a second group is available on Tuesday, February 22nd, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 181 Elm St., in East

Longmeadow.

The support groups which are open to anyone who is grieving a death will be held on Wednesday, February 9th, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main St., in Agawam; and on Thursday, February 10th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the First Congregational Church, 7 Somers Rd., in East Longmeadow.

These support groups are on-going, 12 months a year. There is no pre-registration, nor commitment to attend. Participants need merely to attend any meeting they choose.

All groups are offered free of charge by the Forastiere Family Funeral Homes and are facilitated by staff Grief Counselor/Educator, Lila Forastiere.

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Ag. Congregational's Calendar Of Events

The new member classes at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, will continue on Wednesday, February 9th, at 7:35 p.m.

All are welcome to attend these informative sessions about the mission and ministries of the church.

The church's "Our Sexuality—God's Good Gift" series for seventh through ninth graders slated its first session for this Thursday, February 3rd, at 7:30 p.m. The other sessions will be held February 10th, 17th, and March 3rd and 10th.

Rev. Fuller and Corinne Colman, Youth Director, will be leading this series.

Come sail with the church's February Vacation Bible Camp, "Pirates For Christ," on Friday, February 25th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children ages two through fifth grade are welcome to attend.

Call the church office at 786-7111 to register; the cost is \$2 per child, or \$5 for a family of three or more children.

The 456 club will be having an overnight at the church this Friday night, February 4th.

The Junior and Senior High youth will be travelling to Blandford for their annual ski trip this Saturday, February 5th.

The Agawam Congregational Church has slated an all-church ski trip on February 19th. The cost is \$23 for lift ticket and rental (plus \$8 more for lesson).

Call the church at 786-7111 to sign up. Everyone will be travelling in cars from the church parking lot.

A Lenten Bible Study is being held Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. at the church. A challenging and inspiring book entitled "Passion for the Possible," by Rev. William Sloan Coffin, will be the focus for this Lenten program.

Rev. Fuller will be leading this discussion group. All are welcome to attend.

Rev. George Linse, Former Pastor At Sacred Heart, Mourned

Rev. George A. Linse, 77, of the Stigmatine order, parochial vicar of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, died in Mercy Hospital.

He was parochial vicar at the church since 1975, and from 1943 to 1954. He served at Sacred Heart of Jesus parish in Milford from 1971 to 1975, and was pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills from 1956 to 1971. It was during his pastorate that the present church and religious education center at 1103 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills were constructed.

He was also parochial vicar with the Holy Family parish in Lynn from 1954 to 1956.

He was born in Boston and attended Boston College High School. He was a graduate of the Stigmatine Minor Seminary in Waltham and the Stigmatine Major Seminary in Wellesley.

In 1935, he pronounced his first vows and he was ordained on June 12th, 1943, in Wellesley.

He leaves two brothers, Francis of Medfield, and the Rev. Henry Linse, C.S.S. of Waltham; a sister, Marie Miller of Needham; and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral liturgy was held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, with burial in the Stigmatine Community Plot at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Milford. Tazzini Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stigmatine Fathers, 554 Lexington Avenue, Waltham, MA 02154.

Valley Community's February Calendar

The Valley Community Church Congregational is located at 152 South Westfield Street in Feeding Hills, MA, atop the hill overlooking the Pioneer Valley.

The church invites people of all denominational backgrounds and heritage to attend its services and activities. The church's fellowship is enriched by the various traditions represented in its membership, and the members' faith is strengthened by a creative approach to their worship and service to God.

The church's calendar of events for the month of February follows:

Tuesday, February 5th: Auction in Wells Hall. Elaine Hood, Auctioneer. 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 6th: Sunday Worship and Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Craig Wert (guest minister).

Saturday, February 12th: Famous Chicken Supper, Dunn Hall, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 13th: Sunday Worship and

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Rev. Stephen Dennehey.

Sunday, February 13th: Hilltop Players' rehearsal of the musical "Oliver," 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 16th: Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00 p.m. Rev. Stephen Dennehey.

Sunday, February 20th: Sunday Worship and Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Rev. Stephen Dennehey.

Sunday, February 20th: Hilltop Players' rehearsal of the musical "Oliver," 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 27th: Sunday Worship and Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Rev. Stephen Dennehey.

(Every Tuesday and Wednesday: STAGE rehearsal - "Alice in Wonderland," 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.)

For more information on church activities or to use the church, halls, theatre, or grounds for weddings, receptions, showers, group functions, classes, or performances, call the church secretary at 786-2445.

Valley Community Church Announces Calendar Of Events For February

The Reverend Raymond H. Korndorfer's sermon will be "A Change in Style" at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church on Sunday, February 6th at the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

The Ladies Benevolent Society will hold its annual Blanket Collection on Sunday, February 6th. A donation of \$5 will purchase a blanket, which are greatly needed throughout the world and are distributed by Church World Service through

"Blanket the World With Love."

The Junior Choir will rehearse immediately following the church service. They will be singing on Sunday, February 13th.

Sunday School classes for all age groups and morning worship are held each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church. Nursery service is available, and visitors and friends are cordially invited.

Nocturnal Adoration Society Plan Meeting In West Side Feb. 4th

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield will meet at Saint Thomas Church, Pine Street, West Springfield to conduct and pray The Office of The Blessed Sacrament on

Friday, February 4th, from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.

All are invited to come and spend an hour in Eucharistic Adoration.

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The Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield will hold its annual Sports Night Membership Meeting on Tuesday, February 15th, at the Carriage House, Storowtown Tavern, West Springfield, at 6:00 p.m.

Mike Berticelli, head soccer coach for Notre Dame University, will discuss soccer's increasing popularity in the United States (as well as Notre Dame athletics in general) during his keynote address.

The Fighting Irish's 1993 season ended with them ranked 20th in the nation, conference champions, and Mike Berticelli was named Conference Coach of the Year—his 10th such award in 18 years as head coach.

For additional information, please call the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield at 733-3126.

*Spotlight On Business - continued...***Hallmark Collectors Night Held By Surprise! Card & Gift**

SURPRISE! CARD & GIFT SHOP over at the Southgate Shopping Plaza held a Hallmark Collectors Of Ornaments Night on January 26th at the Captain Charles Leonard House on Main Street. IN PHOTO LEFT, employee Marilyn Curry and Janice Pomeroy are pictured; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Surprise! owner and operator Bob McElligott (right) greets Priscilla LaJoie and Fran LeClerc at the special event. Surprise! Card & Gift is a Hallmark Gold Crown Store. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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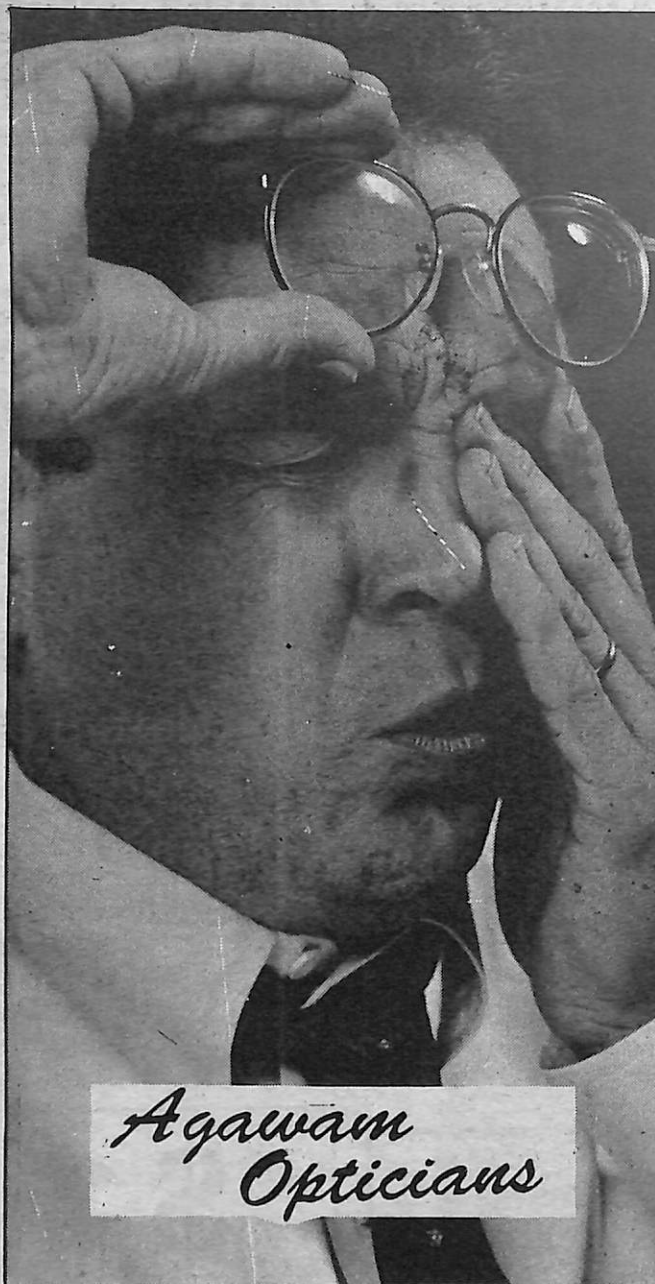
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It's a known fact ... children, especially those under the age of five, get into **EVERYTHING** in and around the home. Inquisitive minds love to investigate every nook and cranny of the home—crawling into cabinets and under beds; opening boxes, bottles, and jars intended for adult hands; and playing with household items that make dangerous toys. The startling reality is that more than 5,000 children in the United States are injured in household accidents every year.

"Childproofing" an entire home is almost impossible. The next best thing parents can do is be knowledgeable about potential dangers and take simple steps to prevent common and avoidable accidents. By creating a checklist to identify the potential hazards in your home, you may save the life of your child or reduce the potential for injury.

The following are a few basic precautions that every parents should take to create a safer environment.

Cover or lock all of your electrical sockets. Electric shock is a common cause of injury to small children. Most hardware stores carry plastic "plugs" for insertion into electrical outlets that are not in use. This affordable safeguard will eliminate the danger caused by wandering little fingers. Also check your electrical cords. Are they in good condition and free from cuts that may expose an open wire?

Store household cleaners and other hazardous substances in a safe place. All cleaning supplies and containers holding toxic fluids should be kept on upper shelves, safely out of a child's reach, rather than beneath the sink or in a lower cabinet. Your local hardware store carries a variety of "childproof" cabinet locks and latches that are easy to install and effectively prevent children from opening doors.

Dispose of used plastic bags from dry cleaners and stores or keep them in a safe place. Plastic bags of almost any size can be extremely dangerous for small children who enjoy playing "hide and seek" by burying their faces. If the bag becomes twisted or knotted, a child can easily suffocate in a matter of minutes.

Protect toddlers from dangerous falls by placing gates at the top and bottom of your stairway. To protect the entire family from injury, keep toys, roller skates, tools, and other objects off the stairwell at all times.

Watch young children when they are in the bathtub. Make certain that all electrical appliances, such as hair dryers, electric shavers and radios, are unplugged or kept at a distance from splashing water and rambunctious little bathers.

Keep all medicines, pills, and vitamins locked in cabinets out of the reach of children. Toddlers love to put things in their mouths and "taste" everything with which they come into contact. Aspirin, sleeping pills, and prescription drugs can be fatal to a curious child. Don't let your kids play doctor with your medicine chest!

Screen your open windows securely. For obvious reasons, this is especially important for residents who live in high-rise apartments, town houses, or condominiums.

Test your paint for lead content in all areas accessible to children. Lead poisoning is a growing cause of concern for homeowners throughout the nation. If your home was built before 1978, the painters may have used a lead-base covering. Contact your local health department to find out more about the dangers of lead paint and proper removal procedure.

Make your kitchen child safe. Equip the drawers and cupboards with sturdy latches. Point

the handles of pots and pans away from the edge of the stove when cooking. Keep matches in drawers out of a child's reach. Take an inventory of the items in your kitchen and make certain that any sharp or breakable objects are properly stored.

Check the garage and yard for hidden dangers.

Keep your garden tools, such as power mowers, hedge trimmers, and snow blowers, behind locked doors. Ensure that your yard is free from nails, jagged glass, and poisonous chemicals or materials. A well-maintained back yard can be a safe place for children to play if all hazards are removed.

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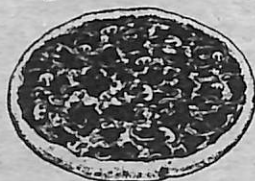
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Spotlight On Business - continued...

PAM SAVIOLI

Pam Savioli Completes Sales Course Presented By Home Builders Inst.

Pam Savioli recently completed the New Home Sales Course developed by the Home Builders Institute, the educational arm of the National Association of Home Builders. Upon passing the examination, she was awarded the CSP designation (Certified New Homes Sales Specialist).

The course covered the ABC's of home building from pre-construction to actual building, including structural, heating/cooling, plumbing, and electrical systems. There was also comprehensive instruction in marketing, promotion, advertising, and why and how people buy.

Pam Savioli is an active real estate agent involved with the New Home Sales Division of Stearns & Yerrall, representing over 28 new subdivisions in the Greater Springfield area.

Have you thought about building a new home? Pam Savioli is happy to answer all your questions and assist you in the process; just call her at 786-0663 or her Voice Mail at 748-7565.

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By following these basic safety tips, you can protect your entire family from unnecessary danger. You should, however, be prepared for any household accident. Learn basic first aid and how to administer CPR.

Also, teach your small children how to handle a crisis in the event that one or more parent is incapacitated. Show them at an early age how to use the phone and dial an emergency number. Be sure they memorize their home address and phone number.

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LILLIAN BONOMI, an employee of Surprise! Card & Gift Shop at 838 Suffield Street, Southgate Shopping Plaza, says the store has a huge assortment of beautiful boxed candy and chocolates for Valentine's Day. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Surprise! Card & Gift Shop Has Large Variety Of Wonderful Hallmark Valentine's Goodies

With Valentine's Day on Monday this year, love and romance are in the heart, and passionate promises are on the lips anticipating Valentine's Day weekend.

The increasing interest in love, commitment, and strengthening makes "I love you" the natural message for February 14th. Whether smoldering "soul meets soul on lovers' lips" or a straightforward "you're my everything," Hallmark's Crown collection of Passionate Promises valentines says "love."

Romantic relationships are by far the most urgent reason for buying valentines—63 percent of Valentine's Day purchases are for love and romance, according to Bob McElligott of Surprise! Card & Gift Shop (786-2407), a Hallmark Gold Crown store located at 838 Suffield Street, Agawam (Rt. 75 at Southgate Plaza).

The hottest new way to say "you're mine" is with Hallmark's new recordable card that actually

lets you declare your love in your own voice in a greeting card. A 10-second clear message with record option sells for \$7.95; with extra batteries, the message can last a lifetime.

Children are the second most avid valentine senders, and this year Barney® —that purple-and-green dinosaur that has captured the hearts of the pre-school and early-grades set—is expected to outsell all other designs at Surprise! Card & Gift, according to McElligott.

The Barney pack of 30 school valentines includes a special card for teacher. And, individual Barney cards for parents, grandparents, and others to give to tots feature musical and jumbo designs.

Valentine's Day is the second largest card-sending holiday in the United States. Hallmark predicts that more than a billion valentines will be exchanged this year.

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Bringing Out The Best In Each Child!

by Dr. Steve Sobel

Dear Dr. Sobel: I continue to follow your work and try to listen whenever you will be on the radio or television. I recently heard you on radio and you were speaking about the importance of really trying to appreciate and recognize the fact that each child has within himself or herself unique gifts and abilities.

I found this statement to be simple, yet alarmingly true! Even with my own children, it is so easy to look for and accentuate the negative and forget the positive.

I also felt "comfort" in the quote, "If you have never been hated by your child, you have never been a parent!" Parenting is a tough endeavor, but our children need that structure and consistency as you emphasized.

Keep up the good work and thanks for the inspiration and the practical information.

L.M., Feeding Hills

COMMENT: Thanks for your uplifting letter! Eleanor Roosevelt had a marvelous quote concerning parenting. She said, "The surest way to make it hard for children is to make it easy for them."

What I believe she way saying was that it wasn't easy setting limits and having your child adhere to rules, BUT it is necessary if we are to guide them to their true abilities and greatness within.

Parenting is a challenging "job" to say the least. I also believe that parents can learn much from their children about how to deal with life. Kids are great teachers if we, as parents, can occasionally take a step back to revel in the miracle of being a child and soak up the natural enthusiasm and sense of spontaneity that kids can show us.

Perhaps seeing this side of life can make the parenting journey a mutually beneficial experience!

SPECIAL SEMINARS THAT YOU WILL WANT TO REGISTER FOR:

• **"CREATING HIGH SELF-ESTEEM and EMPOWERMENT FOR CHILDREN AGES 9-12"** -back by popular demand, this seminar for children will take place on Saturday, April 2nd, 1994 from 10:00 to 11:15 a.m. in West Springfield. Led by Dr. Sobel. Cost is \$10 per child.

• **"AT the MOSES AUDITORIUM, on the grounds of The Big E—"PRESCRIPTION FOR SUCCESS, HAPPINESS and HUMOR-CREATING A POWERFUL and JOYOUS LIFE"** -great for everyone and every organization. Cost is \$10 per person-two attend for \$15. Led by Dr. Sobel.

This inspiring presentation is asked for as the keynote address at many national meetings. Takes place from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. as well as from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. Choose the session that fits your schedule!

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• **"PROLIFIC CUSTOMER SERVICE-GETTING IT RIGHT!"** will take place on THURSDAY, APRIL 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Companies and organizations such as AMERICAN SAW and MFG., MMWEC, HYDRO-PRO, WELDON CTR. FOR REHAB at Mercy Hospital, MILTON BRADLEY, ATLANTIC EXTERMINATING, just to name a few, attended this all-day program on January 25th at the West Springfield Ramada Inn, where this will be held as well!!

This all-day program is led by Dr. Sobel and cost is \$69 per person, with group rates available.

Call 785-1259 for COMPLETE seminar description and topics that will be covered. Great for profit and non-profit groups of all sizes.

"Therapeutic Touch" At Leonard House

As part of their on-going lecture series, the Springfield Theosophical Society will present a special program, "Therapeutic Touch."

The program will be presented by Ann L. Minor R.N.

Ms. Minor, a graduate of Hartford Hospital School of Nursing, studied Therapeutic Touch with Dolores Krieger and Dora Koons, who developed the process. TT is a contemporary interpretation of several ancient healing practices that consciously direct human energies.

Ms. Minor uses TT as an adjunct to nursing care at Bristol Hospital where she works in the Ambulatory Surgery Unit.

In this workshop, she will explain and demonstrate the process. Audience participation will be part of the program.

The program will be held on Sunday, February 13th at 2:00 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main Street, Agawam (Route 159).

For more information, please contact Theosophical Officers Robbie Cox (president) at 567-8078, or Elaine Kuzmeskus (vice president) at (203) 668-0373.

"Sports Nutrition" To Be Discussed At Fitness First

Registered dietitian Nancy Dell will be conducting a seminar "Sports Nutrition" at Fitness First on Wednesday, February 9th, at 8:00 p.m.

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For Your Health - continued...

"Pledge For Safety" Can Save Your Life During New Year

Now that the new year has settled in and some of your New Year's Resolutions have come and gone, it's not too late to consider a pledge for safety.

"We are offering a resolution for life, a few simple pledges that will hopefully bring everyone safely through 1994 and beyond," said Mary Cushman, R.N., trauma coordinator at Baystate Medical Center.

According to the American Trauma Society, one out of five persons will suffer a trauma - a life threatening injury - this year at home, on the road, at work, or at play.

To help change the odds to your favor, Cushman recommends safety pledges to be made by all family members.

While on the road:

- * wear your seatbelt and buckle your children in safety seats/seatbelts
- * observe road courtesy by driving defensively and slowing down because speed kills
- * don't drink and drive and keep others who have been drinking from driving
- * bicycle defensively and make sure you and your children wear a helmet when riding a bike or motorcycle.

In the home, remember to:

- * place guns, if you must have one, unloaded and out of reach of children
- * secure rugs, steps, railings, screens, etc., to avoid falls
- * install and maintain smoke detectors throughout your house
- * keep the hot water temperature to 120 degrees Fahrenheit or less to avoid scalds, especially for little children when bathing
- * keep poisonous household products out of your child's reach.

"Trauma is the most common killer of children over one year-old," Cushman said.

"In addition, each year almost 16 million children are seen in the emergency departments for their injuries."

Cushman noted that three out of five trauma victims never get appropriate care.

"Parents and children should learn how to access their local emergency system and local police, fire, and poison hotline phone numbers should be appropriately posted near the telephone," she said.

Free Blood Screening At Mercy Hospital

The department of education at Mercy Hospital is offering free blood pressure screenings on February 8th from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Memorial House Auditorium.

A colo-rectal screening will also be offered at a cost of \$4. For more information, call 748-9030.

The patient education department will be conducting a cholesterol screening program on February 24th from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Memorial House Auditorium. **Fasting is necessary 10 to 12 hours prior to testing** (water may be taken).

Results will be mailed to participants. The donation is \$10, and registration is on a walk-in basis.

A blood glucose screening program is planned at Mercy Hospital on February 25th from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Memorial House Auditorium. **Prior to the test, participants should not take food and liquids (other than water) after midnight.** A donation of \$2 is requested for the testing materials.

For more information, call the patient education department at 748-9024 weekdays between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m., or leave a message.

Sibling Class Planned At Providence Hosp.

The Center for Women's Health at Providence Hospital will be holding this month's Sibling Class on Monday, February 7th from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. in the Catherine Horan Medical Building, Room 115.

This program, aimed at children ages three through 10 years-old, is designed to acclimate big brothers- and sisters-to-be to the arrival of a new baby. A professional educator uses story-telling, role-playing, and life-sized dolls, dressing up and plenty of time for questions and answers, to make the Sibling Class the perfect format to prepare children for their new roles.

The Sibling Class also introduces children to The Family Birthplace and helps them feel that they are an important part of the birth event.

Sibling Classes are held the second Monday of each month from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m.

For more information or to pre-register, please call the Center for Women's Health, 539-2950, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Health Promo Lecture At Heritage Hall

Heritage Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is sponsoring a health promotion lecture on February 9th, at 2:00 p.m. on the first floor solarium at Heritage's North Building, 55 Cooper Street, Agawam.

Cardiac-rehab nurse Diane Mackler from Providence Hospital will review the necessary exercises and activities heart attack victims should do during rehabilitation.

The community is welcome to attend and refreshments will be served. Call Regina Bossig at 786-8000, ext. 251 to make your reservations.

Better Breather Support Group To Meet At Noble Hosp.

Noble Hospital's Better Breather Support Group for people with C.O.P.D. (asthma, chronic bronchitis, or emphysema) will meet Monday, February 14th, at 115 West Silver Street, Westfield, at 2:00 p.m. in the auditorium, ground floor.

The topic for discussion is "Smoking Effect on Heart and Lungs." For more information, call the American Lung Association, 737-3506, or the Respiratory Department at Noble Hospital, 568-2811.

Pain Therapy Program Slated For March 1994

Southwick: "Mind Over Matter," a pain therapy workshop, has been slated for three Saturdays—March 5th, 12th, and 19th—from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Rosewood Community Building, Southwick.

The cost is \$50 for the three consecutive sessions, which will be taught by Dr. Barbara K. Halpern, Ph.D. Space is limited for this workshop, so register early by calling Peggy Lis at 569-3083, or Nancy Lees at 568-3467.

All the local news with us, each week ...

Dr. Sobel To Hold Self-Esteem Program

Dr. Steve Sobel, founder and director of The New England Institute for Stress Management, will be leading the four-session life/career improvement program titled "Creating High Self-Esteem and Personal Success." The program takes place on the following Sunday evenings: February 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th.

Each session is two hours in length, and group size is limited to 10 people. The cost is \$150 per person, with discounts for two or more. The program takes place at Dr. Sobel's office/conference center, located at 425 Union Street in West Springfield.

Call 785-1259 for full program goals/description. Registration by February 4th is essential.

Alzheimer's Program At Noble Hospital

Carole Gossman, Program Director of the Fowler Wing Psychiatric Unit at Noble Hospital, will present a community program on Alzheimer's Disease on Wednesday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m. in Auditorium A.

Topics to be discussed include the signs, symptoms, and causes of the disease. She will also discuss the current interventions and current theories of the cause of Alzheimer's Disease. Questions are welcomed and encouraged.

Refreshments will be served. Registration is necessary for this free program.

For further information and to register, please call Noble's HealthBEAT at 568-BEAT(2328).

Medical West Notes National Health Month

Medical West Associates recognizes National Health Month with a week-long series of Healthy Heart programs starting February 14th at each of their health centers.

Each two-hour program will feature health information tips on a variety of subjects important for a healthy heart, such as nutrition, exercise, healthy snacks for children, and a blood pressure screening.

The programs are free and open to the public. All programs are from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. and will be held in Agawam on Thursday, February 17th.

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Arts

"Weekend Comedy" A Fun, Witty Evening By Agawam Repertory

"Weekend Comedy," Agawam Repertory Theatre's latest production combines a witty, contemporary script with an experienced, talented cast. Set in a remote vacation cabin, two couples unexpectedly encounter each other thanks to a reservation foul-up.

Focusing heavily on a humorous spin of the two relationships, playwrights Jeanne and Sam Bobrick provide us with the "guts" of all relationships: joy, conflict, love, misunderstandings, stubbornness, fun and the challenge to separate subjectivity from reality.

Using the remote cabin in the woods as the setting, the characters explore male and female strengths, foibles, and personal triumphs in an unsentimental, tongue-in-cheek comedy that does not spare our sense of self-importance.

Jill, played in a sprightly manner by veteran actress Donna Claxton (formerly in ART's *Beyond Therapy* and *See How They Run*), and Peggy, played with wry self-restraint by another ART veteran, Cil Long (*See How They Run*, *Sister Mary Ignatius* and *Arsenic and Old Lace*) provide vivid counter-points to their "significant others."

Paul MacDonald plays Frank, the older of the two men who struggle with trying to avoid seeming to be selfish, self-centered "unreconstructed male chauvinist pigs," and desperately, or sometimes casually, wanting to demonstrate their generous "I can be reasonable" side.

Mr. McDonald has previously appeared in *The More The Merrier* and ART's fall production, *Couples*. Tony is played by another community theater veteran, Michael Serafin, whose portrayal does the term "delicate balance" admirable justice.

Having roles in past performances of *Noises Off*, *Macbeth*, and *See How They Run*, Mr. Serafin is a familiar presence in local community theater. Kathleen Grady makes her directorial debut in this production.

Avoiding chase scenes, car crashes, guns or knives, *Weekend Comedy* is a wonderful multi-generational show (note how we avoided calling it a "family show"), which brings wit, honesty, and fun to the local scene.

The show opens on February 18th at 8:00 p.m. and has additional performances on February 19th and 25th, with a matinee on February 26th. *Weekend Comedy* will be performed at the Agawam Senior Center, located at 68 Meadowbrook Manor in Agawam.

Tickets are \$5 (senior citizens, \$4). For reservations and ticket information, call Bob Lawson at 567-6240 or 567-0467.

Suf. Players In Rehearsal For New Prod.



COURT IS IN SESSION in The Suffield Players latest production, "*The Last Trial of Richard III*," scheduled to run February 17th, 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th, and March 4th and 5th. The Court of Eternity is presided over by Judge Time (played by Richard McCarty - back row, center), with Charity and Richard III (Dana Ring and Richard Anderson - left) as defense counsel, and Rumor and History (Margie Secora and Kelly Seip - right) as the prosecution. Sir Thomas More (Paul Gessay - front row, center) takes the witness stand in this intriguing courtroom drama, where the audience is the jury and decides the fate of England's most ruthless king.

Ag. Cultural Council Seeks New Members

Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! Calling all community-minded citizens ... the Agawam Cultural Council needs YOU! Come be of service to your town of Agawam.

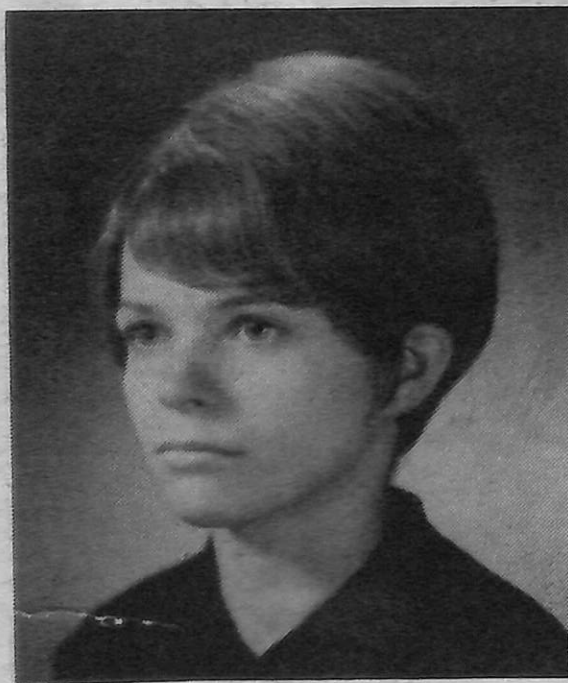
The Agawam Cultural Council needs new members with enthusiasm and new ideas. The Council is responsible for allocating funds to the local arts and humanities and interpretive sciences through grants to individuals, schools, and organizations. It also sponsors free summer

concerts as well as the First Friday Series, which offers a variety of events at no cost to the public.

The Agawam Cultural Council needs your help and input. You don't need special talents to make this program work; your enthusiasm and commitment is all the council needs.

Its members meet once a month during the school year. Call Joanne Condon at 789-0994 for information on the council's next meeting.

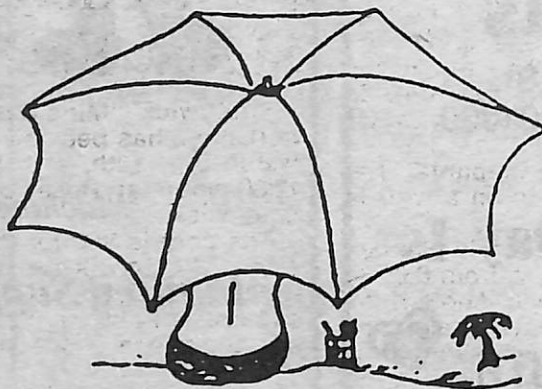
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This Week At THE MOVIES

by Christine Piesyk
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—Intersection

Director Mark Rydell is on downhill run—a run that began with the ill-fated *For the Boys* and continues with his latest work, *Intersection*, a maudlin piece about an upwardly mobile architect (Richard Gere), his repressed and very mannerly wife (Sharon Stone), and his vibrant, vivacious lover (Lolita Davidovich). The picture is complicated by the presence of his adolescent daughter (Jenny Morrison).

The film opens with Gere fingering a letter, lost in thought and losing control of his car in an attempt to avoid a collision. The story unfolds in those flashback memories.

Ironically, the best part of the picture is the ending, in which Gere dies of massive trauma from that crash and the battling women who love him (or at least want him) do the gracious thing: they spare each other's feelings at this time of great loss. Stone, believing her husband is about to dump his lover, lets Davidovich hang on to her dream; Davidovich doesn't tell Stone that her philandering husband had decided to get a divorce.

All in all, it's a long view.

—Iron Will

It's corny, classic Disney and it's absolutely terrific. *Iron Will* is not Oscar-caliber filmmaking, but it's a film with heart; an adventure story set against the Canadian and midwest winters, circa 1917 and the onset of the first World War.

The hero is drawn from the real life story of Will Stoneman (Mackenzie Astin), a teenager who's about to run a cross-country dog sled race from Winnipeg, Canada, to St. Paul, Minnesota. The prize—\$10,000, enough to pay for college and help his family survive after the untimely death of their father (who lost his life dog sledding).

It's a story of determination, strength of will, and confronting fears; as the story unfolds, the viewer can almost hear the words "Don't let fear stand in the way of your dreams."

Against all odds, the boy not only survives but triumphs, proving his depth of character and nobility, and winning the hearts of a jubilant American public who comes to know him as "Iron Will."

The script may be weak, but Astin does a terrific job of keeping us interested. The filming (like most Disney adventures) is terrific, and the glimpses of vintage journalists tracking the race and of these marvelous sled dog teams, is the kind of adventure many of us dreamed about as children.

—Shadowlands

Finally, there's *Shadowlands*, a magnificent film which, like *Iron Will*, is based on real people.

Anthony Hopkins is Oxford professor and children's novelist C.S. Lewis, and Debra Winger is American poet Joy Gresham.

His life has been lived with remarkable tradition and a tidy, unruffled routine. He's an acknowledged scholar and acclaimed writer (best known for his children's text, *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe*). He does lose arguments and his wit is intriguing.

It's the 1950s, however, and his placid life is about to change.

Lewis, the confirmed bachelor, encounters Gresham, a fan of his writing and who (with her young son in tow) visits England and one of her

favorite authors. Her own career is at a standstill and her marriage is failing.

At a leisurely pace, the two characters dance around each other, verbally fencing, each parry and thrust exploring feelings and developing feelings that manifest themselves only in the face of tragedy. Gresham, stricken with cancer, is dying.

Shadowlands weaves its tale of love found and lost in leisurely fashion, stopping to smell the roses in a spectacular English garden of hopes and dreams.

It's a visually stunning piece, empowered by incredible performances from each its players, regardless of the size of their roles.

Shadowlands should be an Oscar contender, and the reasons are there for everyone to see.

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Amherst Railway Soc. To Hold Hobby Show At Big E In W. Spfld.

Southwick: The Amherst Railway Society's Annual Public Railroad Hobby Show runs for two days, Saturday, February 5th and Sunday, February 6th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Better Living Center, Eastern States Exposition, Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, Massachusetts.

More than 18,000 railfans and public attended the show last year. Southwick resident Cliff Stone, 81, will be among the railroad enthusiasts on hand.

The event features real life railroads and scale model railroads, historical societies and travel agencies, art shows, flea market dealers, importers, and photographers. Modelers' exhibits will display outstanding handiwork on layouts ranging from the tiny Z gauge which fits on a coffee table to a monster 80-foot N Trak system.

The Amherst Belt Lines, an HO scale modular railroad, is sponsored by a group of Amherst Railway Society members who have created an HO scale model railroad empire that has become a show highlight.

It has grown to 130-feet in length and has the capacity of multiple train operation. And the Southern New England O Scale will show its huge O gauge railroad with 100 car freight trains and seven unit diesels. Live steam will also be shown.

Commercial vendors and hobbyists will sell model railroad equipment, photos, slides, video tapes, books, and other railroad memorabilia. New and antique railroad items will be on display and for sale. Operation Lifesaver, promoting railroad safety for the public, will be featured.

The Railroad Hobby Show daily admission is \$4 for adults, \$1 for children under 12, and free for children under five. Parking is free at The Big E grounds. Two food concessions will be open during the show. Bleachers are provided for an overview of the Show for the footsore and weary. Tickets will be sold on the grounds at 8:00 a.m., two hours before the 10:00 a.m. opening on each day of the Show to keep lines to a minimum.

Proceeds from the show are used to promote interest in railroads. Donations have been made to various railroad museums and historical societies, restoration projects, and scholarship funds. Organizations that have received donations include the New Haven Technical and Historical Society, the Fall River and Old Colony



MODEL RAILROADING IS FUN! Southwick's Cliff Stone, 81, Vice President of the Amherst Railway Society, and 11 year-old Tommy Laware of Wilbraham prove that age is no barrier when it comes to this hobby. The Amherst Railway Society's Annual Public Railroad Hobby Show will run at the Better Living Center, Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, on Saturday and Sunday, February 5th and 6th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Museum, the Railroad Museum of New England, the Chester (Mass.) Foundation Station Restoration Project, the Connecticut Valley Railroad Museum, the 470 Club's Maine Central 501 Steam locomotive restoration project, and the Boston & Maine Railroad Historical Society.

Trolley Museums in Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts; Warehouse Point, Connecticut; Branford, Connecticut; and Kennebunk, Maine have also received donations.

The Amherst Railway Society has about 500 members who share some aspect of railroading as a common interest. Meetings cover current topics in railroad news and offer slide shows, movies, or a prominent speaker on a railroad-

ing topic. The Society sponsors and participates in several train trips each year.

Anyone interested in railroads is invited to attend the meetings and/or join the Society. The group meets the third Tuesday of each month, except December, February, July, and August, at 8:00 p.m. in the Auditorium at Amherst (Mass.) Regional Junior High School, Chestnut Street, Amherst.

For further information, contact Bob Buck, Show Director, Warren, (413) 436-0242; Richard Joyce, President, Wilbraham, (413) 596-8400; Cliff Stone, Vice President, Southwick, (413) 569-3368, or Chris Coyle, Secretary, Athol, (508) 249-6083.

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Bon Appetit

by
Susan Anderson

No Whey, Jose

This week's column is not for the devoted cholesterol watcher, nor is it for those who are watching their caloric intake. It is for those who relish that most delicious product of mother nature ... cheese!

This is not to say that cheese cannot be included in healthy eating practices, especially the new low-fat varieties; the most magnificent of cheese creations make the arteries tremble if eaten on a consistent basis.

As an occasional treat or in limited quantities, however, cheese can form the basis for some of the best entrees, snacks, and desserts.

CHEESE-MACARONI ASPARAGUS BAKE (Serves 6 to 8)

- 1 tablespoon salt
- 2 cups elbow macaroni, durum or whole wheat
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- ¼ cup chopped onion
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 1¼ teaspoons salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- ½ teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 3 cups milk
- 2½ cups grated Swedish fontina
- 1 pound fresh asparagus, cut into ½-inch pieces and cooked or steamed until tender/crisp

Preheat oven to 400F. Get out a 1½-quart casserole dish and grease well or spray with nonstick corn oil or olive oil spray.

Add salt to a stockpot or Dutch oven filled with 3 quarts of rapidly boiling water, and gradually add macaroni so that water continues to boil. Cook, stirring occasionally, until macaroni is tender. Drain in colander, then return macaroni to pan to keep warm.

Melt butter or margarine in a medium skillet or saucepan over medium heat. Add onion and cook until tender/crisp. Quickly stir in flour, salt, pepper, mustard, and Worcestershire sauce. Gradually add milk, stirring constantly, until mixture begins to boil. Allow to boil until sauce thickens, about 1 to 2 minutes.

Stir in 2 cups of the cheese and continue stirring until cheese melts. Remove from heat and combine with the macaroni and asparagus. Turn into casserole. Sprinkle with remaining ½ cup cheese. Bake until lightly browned and bubbling, about 15 to 20 minutes.

From: *Pike Place Market Cookbook* by Braiden Rex-Johnson.

Cheese plays a significant role in vegetarian cuisine. The following recipe for Rice and Cheese Casserole makes a tasty and substantial vegetarian meal as well as an excellent side dish.

JEAN HEWITT'S RICE AND CHEESE CASSEROLE (Serves 6)

- 3 cups cooked rice
- 8 to 10 finely chopped scallions, both green and white parts (about ½ cup)

- 1½ cups large cured cottage cheese
- 1 cup sour cream
- ¼ cup milk
- 6-8 sprigs of parsley, minced
- Red pepper sauce or cayenne pepper
- Salt

2 ounces parmesan, grated (about ½ cup)

Butter a 2-quart ovenproof casserole and set aside. Heat the oven to 350F.

Put the rice and scallions in a bowl. In another bowl, mix together the cottage cheese, sour cream, milk, and parsley. Season to taste with red pepper sauce and salt. Stir in the rice mixture. Spoon into the prepared casserole and top with the parmesan.

Bake in the preheated oven for 25 minutes, or until piping hot.

From: *The Ideal Cheese Book* by Edward Edelman and Susan Grodnick.

For those of you who own pasta machines, the following recipe for cheese ravioli will make a very special dinner. It contains a different and delicious combination of provolone, ricotta, and blue cheese that gives it a distinct flavor.

TRIPLE CHEESE RAVIOLI (Makes 50 Ravioli)

* Pasta:

- 2 cups flour
- 4 eggs

* Cheese Filling:

- 1 cup ricotta cheese
- ½ cup grated provolone cheese
- 1 cup crumbled blue cheese
- ⅓ cup toasted pine nuts
- 2 tablespoons minced parsley
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh basil
- 3 tablespoons chopped black olives
- 2 scallions, chopped
- 2 eggs
- ¾ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Sauce to serve over the ravioli

To make the pasta: Place the flour and the eggs into a food processor all at once and mix with a steel blade until a ball forms. Remove the dough and let it rest for 20 minutes.

To make the cheese filling: Place the ingredients into a large bowl and mix well.

To assemble the ravioli: Roll the dough out with

a pasta machine, taking care not to use too much flour or the ravioli will not seal properly. Use a ravioli cutter or a pizza cutter to make the ravioli squares. Top each ravioli square with 2 teaspoons of the cheese filling and place another square over the top. Seal the edges; moistening them is necessary to get a proper seal.

Refrigerate in a single layer, or freeze.

To serve, cook the ravioli in rapidly boiling water for 12 to 15 minutes. Top with sauce.

From: *Best Recipes of Berkshire Chefs* by Miriam Jacobs.

To top off a great dinner, cheesecake is always a good choice. Equally as good is the following recipe for Cream Cheese Rhubarb Pie.

CREAM CHEESE RHUBARB PIE (Serves 8)

- 4 cups rhubarb, cut in 1-inch pieces
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- Sugar

- 1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup sour cream

Almonds for garnish

1 (9-inch) unbaked pie crust

In a 2-quart saucepan over medium heat, cook rhubarb, cornstarch, salt, and 1 cup sugar, stirring often, until mixture boils and thickens. Meanwhile, preheat oven to 425F.

Pour rhubarb mixture into pie crust. Bake 10 minutes; remove from oven.

Meanwhile, in small bowl with mixer at medium speed, beat cream cheese, eggs, and ½ cup sugar until smooth; pour over rhubarb mixture.

Turn oven control to 350F. Bake pie 30-35 minutes until set; cool on wire rack; chill.

To serve, spread sour cream on top of pie. Garnish pie with almonds.

From: *The Good Housekeeping Illustrated Cookbook*.

Until next week, I wish you the best. Suggestions for topics are always welcome. I can be contacted at 786-2017, or by mail at *The AAN* (P.O. Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030).

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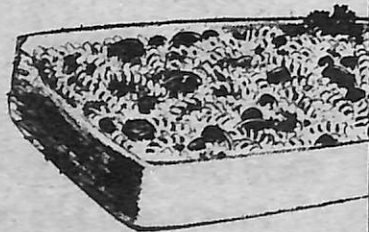


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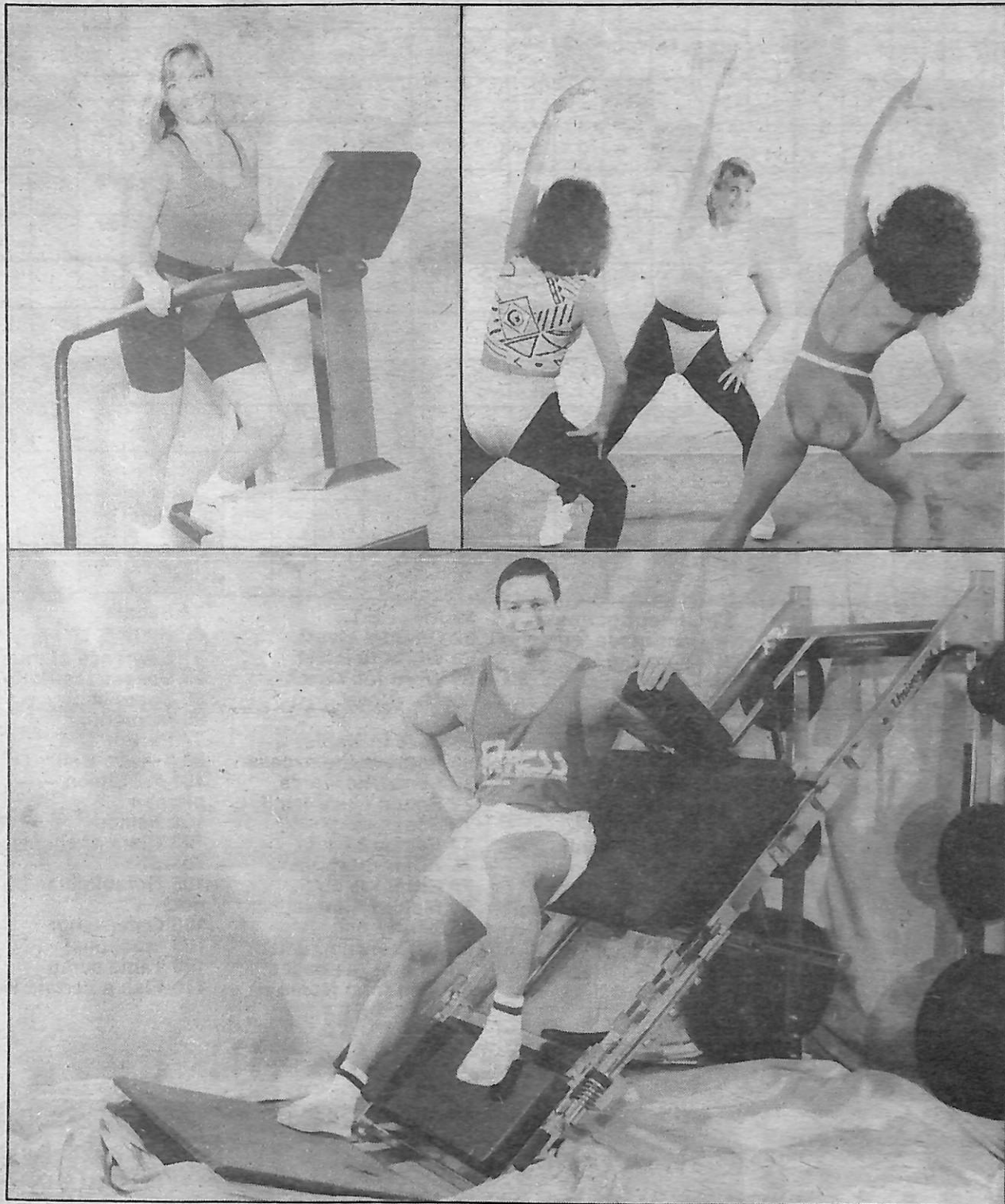
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Looking Back...

Compiled and edited by
David C. Gallano

February Politics - 1973

FEBRUARY 6th - LEGAL FIGHTS STALL COUNCIL ACTIONS

The town is launching its new Manager-Council form of government with a mass of legal squabbles.

The new town government snagged on state law Monday as Councilmen debated confirmation of appointees of the Liquor Licensing Commission for two hours before tabling the matter on a charter objection.

Councilman Francis Colli questioned whether the Council has the right to confirm or deny the appointments. Councilman Joseph Faucette argues that the Council must conform to the General Laws regarding confirmation.

As Council members divided on the issue, Town Counsel Jay Posnik said state law requires that appointments be subject to Council approval.

Council President Julio A. Alvirini disagreed, saying the Home Rule Amendment to the state constitution gives all power to the town except what is expressly denied by state law.

Councilmen Paul Fieldstad, Louis DePalma, and Colli voiced concern that appointments to boards and commissions would become "political footballs" if they are subject to Council confirmation.

FEBRUARY 7th - IF FENDERS BEND, DOES BUDGET RISE?

Town Manager James Westman and the town Police Department connected on a collision course ... with their station wagons, that is.

To get the town budget ready by February 15th, Westman has been burning the midnight oil in his office in Town Hall, which also houses the Police Department. So, when he came out of the building at 2:00 a.m. last Thursday, he may have been a lit-

tle preoccupied.

He started up his station wagon in the narrow Town Hall parking lot and backed straight into the police safety car, police said.

So, the incident just meant a little more paperwork for Westman, who went into police headquarters to fill out an accident report, and maybe one more item for the town budget.

FEBRUARY 9th - STATE CONDUCTING AUDIT OF ALL AGAWAM DEPARTMENTS

The state Bureau of Accounts is conducting an audit of all town departments.

According to Gordon A. McGill, director of accounts, the audit is a routine matter ordered because of the change in town government.

The five auditors, currently occupying the Town Hall meeting room adjacent to the Town Clerk's office, said the audit will last three to four months.

FEBRUARY 12th - BLAST TO COST \$50,000 PLUS

An explosion in Bruno Food Distributors, 377 Walnut Street Ext., at 8:15 last night ignited a fire which caused more than \$50,000 damage to the food company and the upstairs professional office.

About 30 fire fighters in four trucks responded to the call of a police patrolman who witnessed the explosion in the two-story building when he walked by on his beat.

Fire Chief Harry W. Schneider said the explosion caused the fire, but the cause of the explosion was unknown. Three cars parked in front of the building at the time of the explosion were partially burned, firefighters said. All the windows in the building were blown out by the explosion.

FEBRUARY 13th - PLANNING BOARD URGED TO LIMIT APARTMENTS

More than 200 residents vehemently opposed apartment construction, charging poor town planning and claiming the apartments would become "slums in 20 years" at Planning Board hearings Monday in the Junior High School.

One petition was signed by 35 families opposed the petition of John Liquori for a zone change to H3 (apartments) for 36 acres off Leonard Street.

The other, signed by 260 persons, opposed the petition of John Stanley, president of Gasland Corp., for a zone change to A3 for 84 acres at the

corner of South and Suffield Streets.

Persons speaking in opposition to the construction proposals received long and loud applause. Townspeople presented a forest of hands every time Planning Board Chairman Charles Calabrese asked for a straw vote indicating opposition.

FEBRUARY 14th - SPECTRUM CATV VIOLATING AGAWAM CONTRACT

Paul Rieker, an Agawam resident, has charged in a letter to Selectmen that Spectrum Communications is in violation of its CATV contract. He asks that the contract signed in June 1971 be reviewed. He charged that Spectrum has not installed cable equipment within one year of the signed agreement.

The Council turned the matter over to Town Manager James Westman, who will investigate the charges.

FEBRUARY 15th - OVERTIME PAY LAG ANGRERS POLICEMEN

Representatives of the Agawam Police force are going to Boston today to discuss possible legal action against the town for alleged non-payment for outside work.

Patrolman James B. Frantz, president of Local 376, International Brotherhood of Police Officers, said the 35-man police force has not been paid for outside work since December. The accumulated pay amounts to approximately \$300 a policeman, or \$10,500 for the work force, he said.

The town was required by the IRS to withhold income tax from extra duty pay. Previously, policemen were paid for overtime duty directly by the private company or organization employing them.

FEBRUARY 17th - DRUG RAIDS NET THREE IN AGAWAM, WEST SPRINGFIELD

Police in Agawam and West Springfield claimed today to have erased several important sources of soft drugs in the two towns.

Agawam Police Friday afternoon arrested a 17 year-old from West Springfield and issued warrants for the arrest of two more persons after the discovery of a \$3,000 cache of marijuana in a home on South West Street, Feeding Hills.

The 17 year-old was found by police when they arrived at his South West Street home Friday afternoon, armed with search warrants.

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Pisano's Picks...

ON VIDEO

by Louis Pisano

Virginia Video

In honor of Virginia Pisano's (my wonderful stepmother) birthday, I have selected these videos that she has enjoyed. I'm sure you'll enjoy them, too.

Happy birthday, Ging!!

* *Sister Act*

Director: Emile Ardolino. 1992. Rated PG. 1 hour and 40 minutes. Starring: Whoopi Goldberg, Maggie Smith, Kathy Najimy, Wendy Nakkema, Mary Wickes, Harvey Keitel, and Bill Nunn.

Whoopi Goldberg plays a nightclub performer who witnesses her gangster boyfriend kill an informant. In the interest of living to see her next birthday, she hides out in a convent under the guise of a nun.

This scenario sets the stage for hysterical moments in the film. Whoopi Goldberg's lighthearted approach to the role makes the film a joy to watch. Much of the film's humor comes from the obscurity that appears when a character such as Goldberg winds up, of all places, in a nun's garb!

The film also boasts some classic tunes from the earlier days of Motown. The engrossing scenes in the film are definitely the musical numbers as Goldberg revamps the stale sisters' choir.

Sister Act is not meant to be taken seriously. You will not enjoy this film if you do take it seriously. The film was not made with the intention of winning any movie awards; its primary goal is to expose the funny Goldberg as a laughing "habit"! **3 STARS** (Ages 13 and up.)

* *Moonlighting*

Director: Robert Butler. 1985. Not rated. 1 hour and 37 minutes. Starring: Cybill Shepherd, Bruce Willis, and Allyce Beasley.

This is the pilot film to the television series of the same name that exploits the fascinating aspect of unspoken attraction between a man and a woman. Cybill Shepherd and Bruce Willis display perfect on-screen chemistry as Maddie and David.

The story centers around the couple becoming sleuths for the Blue Moon Detective Agency. Their unspoken attraction for each other makes the viewer watch in anticipation of the couple's romantic union. This is a plot device that was mimicked a myriad of times in other television shows because it was so successful in *Moonlighting*.

Another appealing aspect of the film is that it allows the viewer to be participatory in the action on-screen. The characters oftentimes address the viewer by looking head-on into the camera. Such a technique comes as a pleasant shock.

Moonlighting also proves to be very entertaining because there are elements of fantasy included in the plot. Not all of us have had the privilege of being in a relationship where a man and a woman have obvious strong feelings for each other that are also kept from each other, so watching this type of situation on-screen also gives this movie a fantasias appeal.

Adults who enjoy the film, but the young ones might find it boring. Keep in mind that there are not any impure scenes in the film, so if there is a child who enjoys watching, you need not worry. **3 STARS**. (Ages 12 and up.)

* *This Is Michael Bolton*

Director: Bud Schaetzle. 1992. Not rated. 1 hour and 26 minutes. Music video.

This music video highlights the talented Michael Bolton and his extraordinary career. We get inside scoops from backstage and in interviews.

The singer performs his popular tunes and proves to be quite mesmerizing. I admit that I can't believe I watched this video, but on the same note I'm glad I did. Michael Bolton not only proves to be a powerful singer, but also a great showman.

In the way of a technical review, there isn't anything to discuss with the exception of content and photography. I was very pleased with the presentation in terms of these technicalities as well.

As surprised as I was, the video will move you and energize you. Bolton's performance is worth your attention and can make for a great romantic evening at home with the one you love! **3½ STARS**. (All ages.)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: If you have any suggestions for movie-related themes that you'd like to see discussed in this column, send them to Lou in care of *The Agawam Advertiser News*, P.O. Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.)

Theatre Review...

Jay O'Callahan Weaves Magic Of Yesteryear At StageWest

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

The StageWest set is unassuming, spartan ... a dark backdrop, an area rug, a straight chair, and a table with a small pitcher of water and a glass. That's it, until Jay O'Callahan steps onstage.

From that moment, the stage (at least in our mind's eye) becomes a classroom at St. Mary's, a backyard treetop on Boston's Pill Hill, the Boston Garden at the time of the Stevenson Campaign, a grandmother's bedroom, and the home of "Master Spy."

O'Callahan, bearded and casually dressed, simply walks on stage and begins talking, spinning remembered (and embellished) tales of his childhood life; childhood impressions of that posh, upscale neighborhood where doctors made their residences, and the low and middle class "bottom of the hill" neighborhood where he was supposed to experience life.

There's the first and longest segment, called simply "Glasses."

Just picture an imaginative seven year-old saddled with thick glasses, heading toward school where he's nicknamed "Four Eyes." And picture that ebullient youngster managing to break those \$12 glasses at least once a month, sometimes within moments of their acquisition.

Pretending to be "Master Spy," he swipes chocolates from under his grandmother's bed and embarks on a series of misadventures ... childhood escapades that each of us can identify with at some point in the show.

He regales us with simply told escapades when the planned bombing of St. Mary's with sticks of wet dynamite was foiled, resulting in his rapid transfer out of that institution (which sat in a neighborhood where life was getting a bit to real).

By the time he tackles "politics," he's a teenager absorbed in post-World War II presidential campaigns.

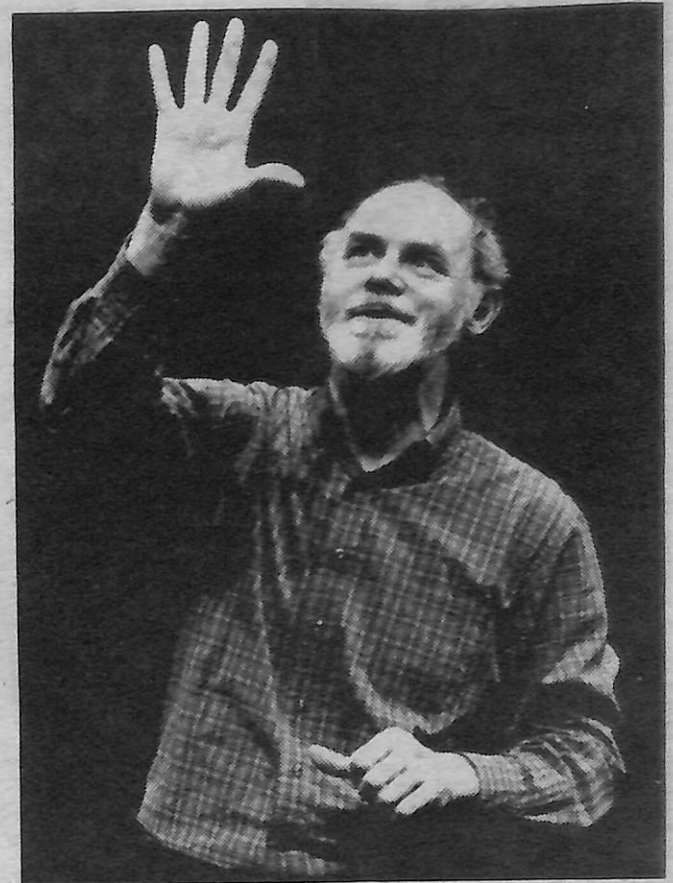
Over these years we view poignant moments when his Japanese/American aunt Anne is ostracized; we meet uncle Jackie, now a disabled vet; we meet the hulking Catholic nun presiding over St. Mary's; a free-thinking grandmother who climbs trees at 71; a battleship of a neighbor who awakens to the oversized image of Adlai Stevenson looming over her bed...

O'Callahan, whose credits come from worldwide sources, spins these wonderful tales, creating his own kind of magic at Stage West.

Ag. Cultural Council Presents Painter

The Agawam Cultural Council is pleased to present the noted portrait painter and teacher, Paul Leveille, as their first program in the First Friday Series of 1994. Mr. Leveille, using a live model, will demonstrate his portrait technique to his audience by painting a portrait in pastels.

Come and join us for a "Portrait Demonstration in Pastels" by Paul Leveille at the Agawam Public Library on Friday evening, February 4th, at 7:30 p.m. The program is free of charge to the public through a grant from the Agawam Cultural Council through the Massachusetts Cultural Council.



JAY O'CALLAHAN weaves his magic in a one-man play that concluded last weekend at StageWest.

Exhibits On Cowboys At Smith Art Museum In Downtown Spfld.

Round up the whole family and come to the George Walter Vincent Smith Arm Museum in Springfield on Sunday, February 13th, for an afternoon of Western fun to celebrate the opening of the special exhibition, *Cowboys, Vaqueros and Buckaroos: Cowboy Art from the Deihl Collection*. The event is free with museum admission.

The schedule for the February 13th activities is:
12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.: Meet rodeo bronco riders Shawn Costello and Ben Dulude, learn to make your own silkscreen bandana from artists Susan Boss and Mark Brown, and examine Bill Trager's treasure chest of Western crafts. Exhibition tours will be available in Spanish.

1:00 p.m.: Tour *Cowboys, Vaqueros and Buckaroos* with collector Doug Deihl.

2:00 p.m.: Hear the story of Nat Love, a legendary African-American cowboy, as portrayed by actor Rochel Coleman.

3:00 p.m.: Listen to old-time cowboy songs and fiddle tunes performed by Skip Gorman.

The *Cowboys, Vaqueros and Buckaroos* exhibition and programs are supported by grants from BayBank; the Xeric Foundation; the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts; and the Springfield Arts Lottery Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

The museum is located at the Quadrangle on the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Hours are Thursday through Sunday, 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

Admission is \$4 for adults, \$1 for children ages six to 18, and free for children under six and members. Fridays are free with a current Springfield City Library card.

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Education

Jr. High Non-Users Jump For Heart To Benefit Charity

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

On Monday, January 24th, 66 members of the Non-Users Club at Agawam Junior High School gathered in the gym to participate in the Annual Jump Rope For Heart Program in support of the American Heart Association.

One of the club's advisors, social studies teacher Marie Mazza, said this year's Jump-A-Thon attracted the largest number of students since the program was initiated at the school. Through her volunteer work for the Heart Association, Mrs. Mazza became aware of the program and brought it to the Non-Users Club as a natural outgrowth of the club's dedication to a healthier lifestyle (marked by a pledge to abstain from drugs, alcohol, and tobacco).

The student participating in the Jump-A-Thon were divided into 11 teams to jump rope continuously for 60 minutes.

Team members could jump together or separately as long as one member of the team was jumping for the entire time allotted for the program.

In advance of the event, team members gathered pledges of monetary support from family and friends for each minute that the team had a member jumping rope.

Student Martha Manning garnered pledges of support from neighbors who were unaware of the project. "They had never heard of Jumping Rope for Heart, but they thought it was a good thing to do in school for the Heart Association," she said.

Most of student Jessica Tudryn's pledges for 10¢ to 20¢ per minute of her team's jumping time came from family members. "My mom is really glad I'm in the Non-Users Club," she added.

In addition to support at home, student Michelle Bitgood found her aunts and uncles eager to pledge their support. "They thought it was a pretty good idea."

Student Angela Gontczaruk explained her interest in participating in the program. "I like to jump rope and the Non-Users Club is awesome. They give you candy and stuff for not using drugs and it's fun."

The event is sponsored by the American and the Massachusetts Alliances for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance to promote cardiovascular fitness. It also supports the efforts of the American Heart Association to save lives through education and research.

Wide Range Of Jumping Styles

The students at the Junior High School demonstrated their creativity in a wide range of jumping styles. While some students jumped individually, others tied their ropes together to allow their teams to jump double Dutch style. Others jumped over a snaking rope held close to the floor by fellow teammates.

Still others engaged in a limbo style of jumping (under a rope held closer and closer to the floor by team members).

One of the club's advisors, Social Studies Chairman William Quinn, arrived just in time to boost flagging energy levels with candy bars for the jumpers.

Throughout the event, the students were encouraged in their efforts by prizes awarded in a lottery. Students Vanessa Galluzzo won coupons for Abdo Restaurants; Jennifer Smist won a Jump Rope for Heart windbreaker jacket; and Danielle Tirone won two tickets to the Showcase Cinemas.

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MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH Non-Users Club who supported the American Heart Association at a "Jump Rope for Heart" Program on January 24th, included, from left - Irene Brown, Vanessa Galluzzo, Heidi Semanie, Christina Normand, and Alison Scherban. MORE PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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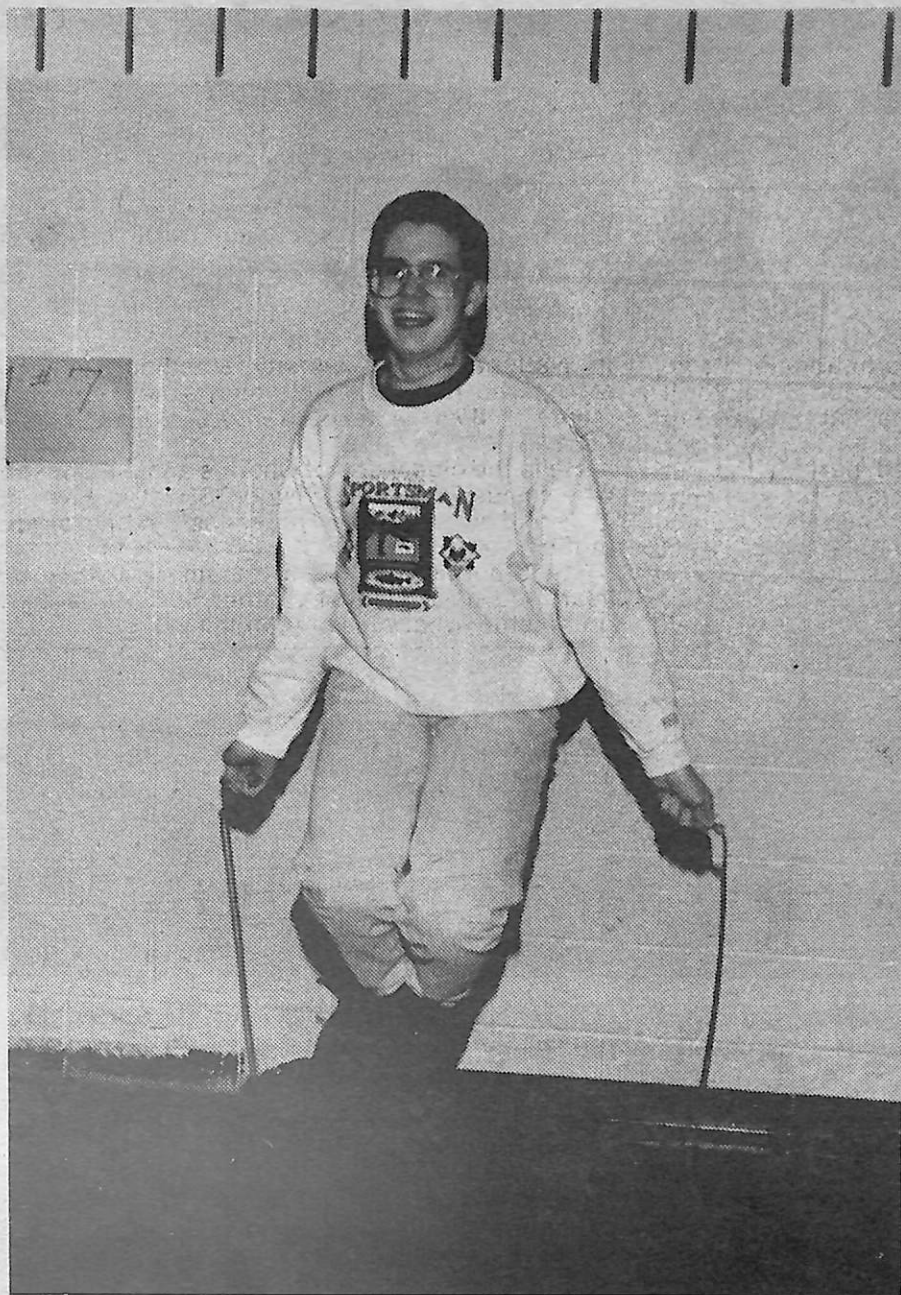
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Jr. High Non-Users "Jump For Heart"



JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT Shawn Sherry, a member of the school's Non-Users Club, jumps rope for the American Heart Association on January 24th. RELATED STORY ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JUNIOR HIGH NON-USERS CLUB members who jumped rope for the American Heart Association included, from left - Candace Flaherty, Tara Fleming, Jessica Montagna, Jillian Mercadante, and Beth Gallup. RELATED STORY ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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NON-USERS CLUB - from Page 33...**Participants Receive Certificates & Prizes**

Students participating in the program will receive certificates and prizes from the American Heart Association. The team raising the most money for the Heart Association will enjoy a pizza party donated by the Pizzeria Uno Bakery at the newly-opened Stop & Shop Superstore in Feeding Hills Center.

Club originator Gerald O'Malley served as the emcee for a spirited contest between individual jumpers.

For a while it looked as though student **Kristen Patterson** would gain the championship with 244 consecutive jumps. "I taught her everything she knows," joked English teacher Pam Skrobeck.

As Kristen's challengers began jumping to the cheers of the other students, O'Malley heightened the excitement by saying, "We'll have to contact Evander Holyfield to see if he can beat the record!"

Despite a strong showing by student **Stephanie Fleming** with 263 jumps and another impressive 356 jumps by Kristen Patterson, the championship for individual jumping went to **Lonnie DeLuca** with 380 jumps (when the contest was halted by O'Malley).

Not seeming the least bit winded, Lonnie, a self-described runner, said the secret of her success was her little sister. "I have a little sister who always wants me to jump rope with her—so I jump rope alot!"

This year's 269 members of the Non-Users Club signed a pledge to abstain from the use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs; never to get into a car with a driver under the influence of drugs; to stay away from kids who use alcohol and drugs; to avoid going places where drugs and alcohol might be used; and to provide a good example for others.

Result Of The Efforts Of Gerald O'Malley

The club grew out of the efforts of Social Studies teacher Gerald O'Malley as a result of his work with the Student Assistance Program at the Junior High School.

O'Malley found that rewarding young people who are not involved with alcohol and drugs was the cornerstone for a successful program.

In addition to offering the students educational programs with area law enforcement officials, the club's monthly meetings provide students with recreational activities to reward them for their commitment to a drug-free lifestyle.

Two of the club's most popular activities are a trip to the Basketball Hall of Fame and a dance featuring a giant-screen video display, according to Mrs. Mazza.

Along with fellow club advisor James Ryan, O'Malley has been in contact with officials from the Longmeadow School System who are interested in starting a program modeled after the Junior High School's Non-Users Club.

This year's Jump Rope for Heart Program was chaperoned by teachers Gerald O'Malley, Jim Ryan, Paul Quinn, Marie Mazza, Pam Skrobeck, and school Nurse Marilyn Johnson.

Last year, the Jump-A-Thon raised more than \$500 for the American Heart Association.

Bay Path College Has Two Local Women On Ed. Practicum

Tara Marie Brittain of Feeding Hills and Dawn Marie Smelstor of Agawam, both of whom are sophomores in the Early Childhood Education Program at Bay Path College, are serving three-credit practicums during the 1994 spring semester.

The daughter of Peter and Gail Brittain of Granger Drive, Tara is serving her practicum at the Longmeadow Montessori Internationale. Dawn, the daughter of Helaine and Joseph Smelstor III of Fernwood Drive, is serving hers at the Bay Path College Preschool.

The practicum is a required part of the curriculum for second-year students in this associate degree program of study at Bay Path, and it enables the student to gain on-the-job experience while being supervised both by school personnel and college faculty.

Lee Copson Named To Dean's List

Lee Copson has been named to the Dean's List of Distinguished Students for the 1993 fall semester at the State University of New York in Albany. He attained a 3.49 cumulative average as a freshman.

Lee plans to major in atmospheric sciences and receive his bachelor's degree in meteorology with the Class of 1997. He is considering a bilingual minor since completing four years of Spanish while attending Agawam High School.

Lee graduated last May with the Class of 1993 in National Honor Society standing and was recognized throughout his high school career in "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

He is the oldest son of Charles and Iris Copson, who reside at 131 Northwood Street in Feeding Hills and own Dynamic Transmissions, Inc. of Springfield.

Lee's brother, Eric, is a freshman at AHS this year, and his youngest brother, Luke, is a sixth grade student at Agawam Middle School.

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Robinson Park School - Read-Aloud Program continues.
- * **February 8th - Tuesday**
Early Childhood Open House - Perry Lane Park, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (The public is welcome.)
School Committee Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
- * **February 9th - Wednesday**
Granger School - Holiday Workshop, 9:00 a.m. (cafeteria).
Phelps School...
- Jr. High Jazz Band Concert, 9:00 a.m.
- PTO Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (guest speaker).
- * **February 10th - Thursday**
Chinese New Year
- * **February 11th - Friday**
Granger School - Dads' Supper "Love-In," 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the Junior High.

Bay Path College Plans Open House Feb. 5th

Bay Path College will hold an open house for prospective students and their parents on Saturday, February 5th, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Offered during the day will be an orientation to the campus by administrators and current students, tours, and a double session of career planning seminars with the faculty that will cover all of the associate and bachelor's degree programs offered at the college.

Entertainment by student dancers and singers and a free luncheon are included, as well as an in-depth financial aid seminar and the opportunity for prospective students to meet individually with admissions personnel.

For more details and/or to sign up for this informative day, please call the admissions office at (413) 567-0621.

AHS's In-School Suspension Prog. Receives Good Marks From Faculty & Administration

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Agawam High School In-School Suspension teacher Bernadette Conte presented the School Committee with a mid-year report on the Internal Suspension program re-instated at the school in September at the January 25th meeting.

The facts and figures gathered by Mrs. Conte point to the success of the program, according to AHS Principal Russell Furtado.

Furtado said, "I'm pleased with the figures that show only 11 percent of the school's population has been sent to the program and of those students, 60 percent were there a single time."

269 School Days Saved

Mrs. Conte said, "It's important to stress the fact that the program has resulted in 269 school days saved for the 125 students sent to the internal suspension room so far this year."

"On that premise, I'd like to thank the School Committee for re-instituting the In-School Suspension program," she noted.

Students are sent to internal suspension for offenses such as smoking on school grounds, use of profanity, failure to serve detention, disruptive behavior, and skipping class.

In the past, these infractions often resulted in students receiving external suspension. Students have told Mrs. Conte that if they had been sent home rather than to her room, they would spend their time sleeping, hanging out, watching TV, or putting in extra hours at their part-time jobs.

Mrs. Conte told the School Committee that students often tell her, "This is the most work I've done at the High School."

Mrs. Conte added that many students accomplish more in her room than they normally do. "They have no choice but to work here and there is no peer pressure in my room to 'perform' for their friends."

"Feedback from the parents has been very positive," Furtado said. "The students are staying in school and are able to make up their work."

As Mrs. Conte and Furtado explained, students and teachers are notified the day before a student is being sent to internal suspension. The teachers can then provide Mrs. Conte with the student's assignments. Parents are notified by mail that their son or daughter has been sent to internal suspension.

Smoking Tops The List Of Offenses

Smoking tops the list of offenses for which days have been spent in internal suspension with a total of 71 days. Second and third, respectively, are failure to serve detention with 60 days and disruptive behavior (36 days).

Except for the policy dealing with smoking, the length of time a student spends in internal suspension is determined by the assistant principal handling the incident. Furtado said he is working with students on rewriting the handbook to include a specific list of the punishment students can expect for unacceptable behaviors (so that the rules can be applied fairly).

Students in internal suspension are not allowed to participate in social interactions with other students. They spend their day isolated from the rest of the student body and even eat lunch separately. They are expected to work on their class assignments with Mrs. Conte's help. During one class period each day, Mrs. Conte takes her students to the gym for exercise.

Mrs. Conte's report states that 60 percent of the students sent to internal suspension (75 students) served one day in internal suspension; 27 percent (34 students) served multi-days for violating more than one rule; and 13 percent (16 students) served more than one day for one violation.

Of the 125 students sent to internal suspension, 62.4 percent were males and 37.6 percent were females.

Since September, there has been only one day without any students in the internal suspension room.

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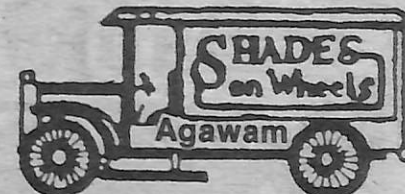
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Agawam High Guidance Report

by Paul C. Cavallo
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Beginning The Second Semester Of School

Now that the second semester of the school year is under way, it is time to bring you up to date about the happenings for the month of February.

Report cards will be issued on Friday, February 4th, 1994. The report card will detail the second marking period grade, the mid-year exam grade, and the semester average. If a course has been successfully completed, the final column on the report card will indicate the final grade and the credits earned.

The guidance staff will notify every parent/guardian via a letter if their child failed two or more subjects. The letter will stress the importance of the second semester and the need for the student to work harder, attend extra help, etc. His/her guidance counselor will reinforce what is mentioned in the letter in a conference with the student.

If a parent desires a progress report on a weekly basis, he/she should notify the guidance office. Parents should take note of the effort grade noted for each subject. A mark of 3 or 4 may serve as a reason why a student did poorly in a course. An effort grade takes into account such things as class work, interest, study habits, etc.

A student's graduation from high school is based on passing required courses and earning a set number of credits.

The following outline explains the requirements.

CLASS OF 1994

All students MUST take and pass the following courses in order to graduate:

1. Three years of English - 5 credits to be taken in each of the three years (15 credits).
2. One year of mathematics (5 credits).
3. One year of science (5 credits).
4. One year of U.S. history (5 credits).
5. One year of social studies (5 credits).
6. Three years of physical education (6 credits).

BEGINNING WITH THE CLASS OF 1995

All students MUST take and pass the following courses in order to graduate:

1. Four years of English (20 credits).
2. Three years of mathematics (15 credits).
3. Three years of science (15 credits).
4. Three years of social studies (15 credits).
5. Four years of physical education (10 credits).
6. One-half year of health (1.25 credits).
7. One-half year of computer science (1.25 credits).

CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

Credit requirements for the class of 1994 - 80 credits.

Credit requirements beginning with the class of 1995 - 105 credits.

The total number of required credits for graduation is the minimum number that a student must accumulate. A significant portion of the total credits must include the course requirements.

Members of the class of 1994 must carry the minimum of 27.5 credits per year. Beginning with the class of 1995, a minimum of 30 credits must be taken by members of the freshman class.

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University of Mass. - Lowell: Saturday seminars, every Saturday through April 2nd, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The profession of social work will be discussed.

Laughing Brook Slates Children's Programs Throughout February

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center announces the following youth-oriented programs for the month of February:

* FOREST CREATIONS (Grades K-2)

Saturday, February 12th, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

The forests of Laughing Brook challenge participants to uncover many hidden mysteries. After outdoor explorations, journey back to the Education Center to reconstruct your discoveries on murals and in sculptures.

The fee for this program is \$6.50 for Massachusetts Audubon Society (MAS) members, and \$8 for non-members.

* WINTER FUN CAMP (during February school vacation week)

Tuesday, February 22nd, and Thursday, February 24th, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Session 1: Grades K-2 / Session 2: Grade 3-6

This program is guaranteed to chase away cabin fever. Going on a winter scavenger hunt, searching for signs of animals, making crafts, and playing games are just a few of the ways in which we'll discover just how much fun winter can be.

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* MAMMALS, BIRDS, AND REPTILES: FROM THE INSIDE OUT (for Grades 3-6 during February school vacation week)

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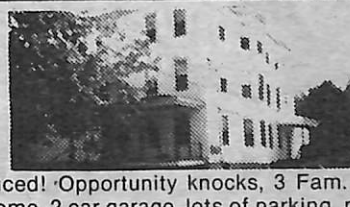
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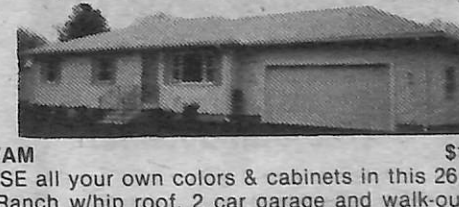
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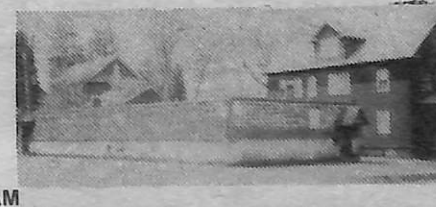
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Agawam Public Schools *Ed-Ventures*

by Judith Cohen
AHS Guidance Counselor



The Importance Of "The Group"

It's Tuesday afternoon. The classrooms are empty and quiet ... or are they? A lot of noise, laughter, yelling, and talking can be heard emanating from Room 20. If you peer inside, you'd find about 10 kids with Mrs. Cohen, a guidance counselor, usually seated in a circle, engrossed in discussion.

Welcome to Group ... a place where caring and sharing happens.

Group enables students to help each other by reaching out, listening, and offering suggestions and just being there. When one student shares a problem, it gives another student with a similar problem permission to speak. The student doesn't feel so alone; someone else has experienced what he or she has. The Group lets participants know that it's O.K. to feel. They learn that when something is mentionable, it becomes manageable.

Originally, the Group was started several years ago to help kids with drug and alcohol problems. Since that time, the Group has expanded to incorporate students who want to talk about other problems. It has become proactive rather than reactive. Hopefully, by addressing their problems, students won't get so down and won't resort to drugs and alcohol to palliate their worries.

During the group process, bonding has taken place, barriers have been broken, and communication and trust have ensued. The Group has dealt with such issues as caring, self-esteem, depression, divorce, and relationships. Through sharing experiences and feeling acceptance, kids have felt an increase in self-esteem.

This year, members have divided into various groups working on different issues which directly affect them. Three students who are from divorced families, went into another classroom to talk about divorce, show a video on divorce, and discuss the effects divorce has made in their lives. Responses and questions were elicited from the class.

After the presentation, the feedback was very positive. Clearly, this has been a good way for students to reach out and help other classmates. Other groups are getting ready to implement discussions on depression and relationships.

Two members of Group were recently asked to comment on what Group means to them.

"Group is a place where people aren't judgemental. The only criticism is positive criticism."

"In Group, I found support, people who really care and are interested in what you're feeling, not just what you're saying."

Membership is open to any student in the school. Any interested student should meet with Mrs. Cohen.

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Agawam Librarian To Visit Phelps

On Wednesday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m., Jeanne Hoffman from the Agawam Public Library will be at Phelps School for a storytime.

In addition to the entertainment, there will be a "Make Your Own Sundae" bar. A \$1 donation per family is requested. (This event is open to Phelps students ONLY!)

Come and enjoy a night out with the whole family.

Brian Hill Named To Dean's List At Westfield State

Brian Hill has been named to the Dean's List for the 1993 fall semester at Westfield State College with a grade point average of 3.77.

Brian is a 1990 Agawam High graduate. He is currently a senior at Westfield State College with a major in criminal justice.

Brian is the son of David and Marjorie Hill of Ruth Avenue, Agawam.

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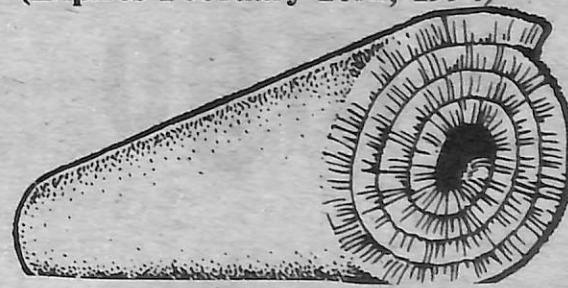
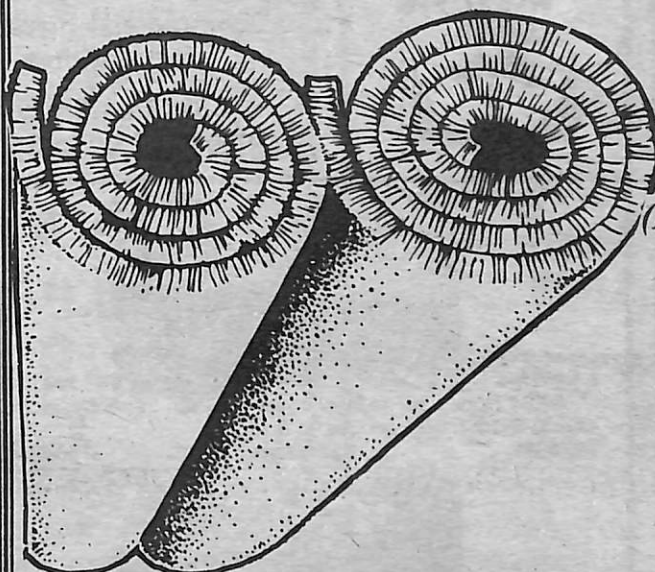
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Middle School Readers Tackle Good Books And Reap The Rewards

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Middle School students are taking librarian Sylvia Deliso's slogan "Tackle a Good Book" seriously as they score a record number of points in this year's Accelerated Reader Program.

Recently, 150 sixth graders and 188 fifth graders earned the privilege of attending a mid-year awards ceremony followed by a performance of balladeer Jeff Davis's program called "The Oregon Trail." The presentation chronicles the history and music of America through folk songs.

The price of admission was 10 Accelerated Reader points for the first two terms of the school year.

Instituted five years ago by Project SEE teacher Evelyn Lester and Mrs. Deliso, the Accelerated Reader Program aims to help students at all reading levels to improve their reading and comprehension skills and to develop a love of reading. The students earn points by taking a computerized test after reading a book included on the Accelerated Reader list.

According to Mrs. Deliso, each school involved in the program is free to set up a reward system for the students. "We feel that students who do something positive deserve to be rewarded."

At the assembly, Mrs. Lester awarded Accelerated Reader t-shirts to students who have earned more than 100 points since September.

Fifth graders winning t-shirts were Stephanie Jenkins, Sara Gregory, Sean Gaffney, Heather Crescentini, Amanda Boissonneault, Tara Feeley, and Melody Serafino.

Sixth grade t-shirt winners were Carrie Fede, Nicholas Duquette, Pamela Gervais, Anthony Goodrow, Laura Reveruzzi, Laura Charest, Dennis Liptak, Anthony Ruscio, Karen Barufaldi, Stephanie Keenan, Stephanie McLane, Christine Gallant, and Andrea Stevenson.

Students who amassed between 50 and 99.9 points received a paperback classic selected by Mrs. Deliso and library aide Donna Scherpa, based on each student's individual taste in reading. "The fun part is going and buying the books," Mrs. Deliso said. "We pick books that we know the students will like after we check their reading records." Fifth and sixth graders earned a total of 22 books.

Students earning between 25 and 49.9 points received pencils.

According to Mrs. Deliso, the program is commonly used at the high school level. "We're the only ones in Western Massachusetts doing Accelerated Reader at this level." At the Middle School, 60 percent of the students are participating in the program.

Tests Are Better Than Book Reports

Mrs. Lester said the tests are much better than having students write book reports because the students must read the entire book. "The TV version won't do and they can't read an abridged edition." For testing purposes, the books are divided into four quarters and questions are pulled from each section.

SEE MIDDLE SCHOOL READERS - P. 40...



IN TOP PHOTO, fifth grade Middle School Accelerated Readers who earned between 50 and 99.9 points in the program since last September and received paperback books for their efforts. IN PHOTO BELOW, the fifth grade Accelerated Readers who amassed 100 or more points; these students were given t-shirts. MORE PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser

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BOTH GRADES AT THE Agawam Middle School participate in the Accelerated Reader Program. **PICTURED ABOVE** are the sixth graders who were rewarded with paperback books as a result of accumulating between 50 and 99.9 points. **PICTURED BELOW** are the sixth graders who earned 100 or more points and received t-shirts. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



MIDDLE SCHOOL READERS - from P. 39..

Originally purchased by the PTO, the Accelerated Reader Program consists of a list of more than 3,000 titles (rated by reading level) with tests on computer disc for each book. During study periods or after school, the students use the computers in the library to take the test.

Each student's record of books read and points earned is recorded by the computer. Points are awarded based on the difficulty level of the book and the percentage of correct answers given.

With a total of 1,021.3 points for three semesters' worth of reading, sixth grader **Nicholas Duquette** is the school's all-time high scorer. So far, Nicholas has read 78 books and earned his highest score of 61 for "David Copperfield."

Tara Feeley is the fifth grade champ with 217.5 points for just one semester of reading. With 33 books read to date, Tara's biggest point-getter was "Little Women," worth 32 points.

Mrs. Deliso said the list of Accelerated Reader titles is posted in the library and each classroom teacher has a copy. Also, the Agawam Public Library has a list to help students in choosing books.

The titles range from the classics to Nancy Drew, the Hardy Boys, and the Babysitters Club series to appeal to all reading levels and interests.

At the Middle School Library, Mrs. Deliso attaches a green label to the spine of each Accelerated Reader book. "It makes it easy for the kids to find the books," she said.

In addition to purchasing the two computers and the software for Accelerated Reader, the PTO continues to support the cost of the prizes, the mid-year assembly, and a party in June for the students who earn 10 points or more in the second half of the year.

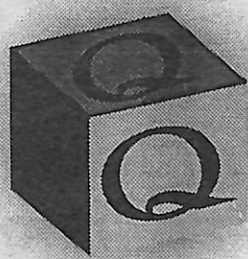
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School Committee Wants Details On 1994 "Goals & Objectives" List

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Superintendent of Schools Bernard F. Ryder's review of his three-page list of goals and objectives for the school district brought stinging criticism from several School Committee members who objected to the lack of specifics contained in the report at the committee's January 25th meeting.

Member Teresa Kozloski called the list a "lot of words with no facts or statistics" to back up the statements. Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, committee chairman, said he continued his previously stated objections to what he called "a giant wish list of broad sweeping statements."

Johnson said the goals and objectives were counter-productive because they were open to interpretation and contained no specifics on what the committee is asking the school administration to accomplish.

Johnson said the School Committee should be addressing the needs of the school system through resolutions to be voted on at the bi-monthly meetings.

New member Scott Macey called the list "pie in the sky" and asked that Ryder review the list and omit those items that have already been achieved. Macey suggested the committee could then focus on four or five issues to research and address through resolutions.

Member Roberta Doering asked Ryder to develop information on the use of "pull-out" programs in the schools. Mrs. Doering asked for statistics on what is currently being done and how effective it is, compared to what could be done to meet students' needs (without removing them from their regular classrooms for remedial instruction).

Member Louise David agreed that the list was vague, with no specifics and no dates set as target times for accomplishment of many of the goals. "Let's be more definite," she said.

Also, Vice-Chairwoman Linda Galarneau raised her objections to Mayor Johnson's plan to move Town Council and School Committee meetings to the Junior High in March due to a reported lack of storage space for meeting apparatus and broadcasting equipment at the Middle School.

Mrs. Galarneau questioned the necessity of moving the meetings and said, "We should remain at the Middle School until it's proven that we need to move."

Mrs. David agreed that a little more investigation was needed to determine what space is available at the Middle School.

Macey suggested more information be gathered to see if there were any viable solutions rather than moving the meetings.

Johnson told the committee that the space needs of the school have eliminated the storage areas where the meeting apparatus and broadcasting equipment were being stored.

He added that the present system of removing the equipment from the building and storing it in a truck would not be allowed to continue. He said spending the \$3,000 needed to get the Junior High Auditorium equipped to televise the meetings was "nothing compared to the cost of the man hours" being used to break the equipment down and remove it from the Middle School building.

Johnson challenged the committee to "find us some space or we're moving."

Johnson disagreed with Mrs. Galarneau, Mrs. David, and Mrs. Pettazzoni, who suggested that if a move was indeed found to be necessary, Agawam High School was a better choice as the new meeting site.

Johnson said the auditorium at AHS was not suitable due to the amount of activities scheduled in the auditorium.

Agawam Schools' Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday, February 7th: Sliced turkey sandwich in roll with lettuce and mayonnaise, seasoned peas & carrots, chilled pears in lite syrup, milk.

Tuesday, February 8th: Rotini with meat sauce, Italian bread & butter, seasoned Italian blend vegetables, chilled fruit cup or lemon pudding with topping, milk.

Wednesday, February 9th: Cup of orange juice, hamburger in a roll, seasoned corn niblets, mustard, relish, catsup, applesauce spice cake with mocha icing, milk.

Thursday, February 10th: Chinese New Year—Oven-baked chicken nuggets with dipping sauce, Oriental stir-fried vegetables, steamed rice, bread & butter, fortune cookie, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Friday, February 11th: Tomato and macaroni soup, grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, niblet corn, rosy applesauce, milk.

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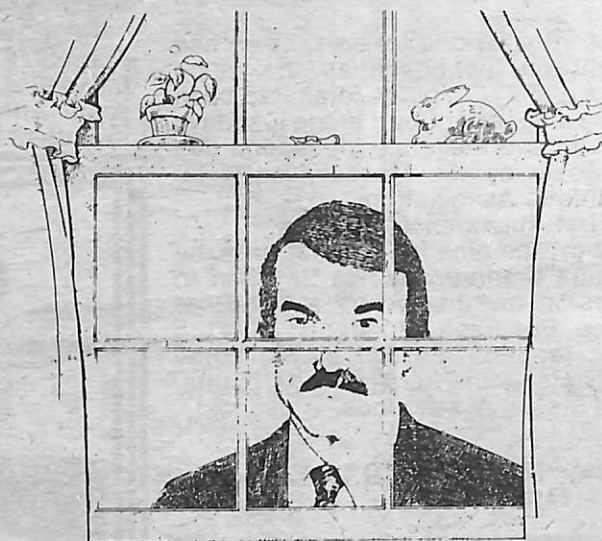
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Sports

Youri Debuts But Brownie Hoopsters Fall To Longmeadow

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Longmeadow High Lancers basketball team has taken its lumps from Agawam High's Brownies for years and years. Agawam has beaten them in the speed game, crushed them in the power game, and they have also prevailed in the nail biters.

So it had to be quite satisfying last Saturday night when the Lancers came into Clifford P. Kibbe Gymnasium in Agawam and repeatedly held off Agawam charges to post a solid 65-61 win.

Longmeadow was led by veteran backcourt performer Jay Heaps and slashing forward Kevin Freeman. Those two kids made all the difference in the world as they combined talent and confidence that stimulated the Lancers time and again at crucial checkpoints in the ballgame.

Heaps was a bothersome defender as he made steals and caused turnovers all night long. He had a knack for going directly to the basket following his thefts. And he also showed a terrific fadeaway jumper in transition along with a dead-eye shot from the foul line. At one point in the game, Longmeadow hit 12 of 15 free throws (80%) before several late misses dropped it to 70 percent from the stripe.

Freeman was a prime timer who stuck out from the start. He did a nice job on the backboards and blocked a couple shots which changed the Agawam attitude regarding entering the paint. But his biggest contribution came in the second half when he ignited his club (and their fans) with a rim-rocking dunk which sent shivers through the whole gym.

Longmeadow didn't get a lot from its bench, but the rest of its starting five (Chris Loonie, Bill Cullinan, and Evan Levine) each stayed under control and hit the layups and short jumpers that came their way. And more often than not, those were the killer buckets which dampened the Agawam comeback hopes.

Loonie's quick seven points from the outside helped send Longmeadow to an early 15-6 lead. And when reserve forward Ed Shultz rebounded one home a minute later, the Brownies were starting up at an 18-8 deficit.

Coach Mike Martin (looking for an answer) had one seated right on his bench as the much celebrated debut of 6'9½" Youri Zdrak had been cleared to play by a Superior Court judge just days before. Zdrak had been ineligible all season due to rulings set down by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association.

Zdrak's First Appearance For AHS

When he rose off the pine for the first time, he changed the game dramatically. He travelled in his first possession and he looked a little lost from time to time. But when he stopped thinking and just started reacting, the kid played some super basketball. He would finish with 14 points, four blocks, and a slew of rebounds.

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Girls' Basketball (Holyoke)...

Brownie Girls' Hoop Has Easy Time Reaching 14-0

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High girls' basketball team ran through some of their half-court sets on Tuesday afternoon (February 1st) as they did their Dallas Cowboys impersonation for the visitors from Holyoke High School en route to a 54-26 win. The Brownies picked up win number 14 without a loss.

Timekeeper Cyndi Grieve thought that Jenn Murphy's long shot on right wing in the game's first minute was a three-pointer and briefly Holyoke had a 3-2 lead on the scoreboard. It was a correctable error and the scoreboard went back to the proper score 2-2.

That is only significant because the Agawam kids never surrendered that third point until there was just 3:24 remaining in the first half. The Brownies had gone on a 21-0 run and they soon headed to the locker room with a convincing 25-5 halftime lead.

Leading scorer Cyndi Stone (13) had everything her own way underneath as she dropped in seven first-half markers and she sat for more than half of the proceedings. Kristin Schmaelzle, Dina DeMar-

co, and Alison Jean (10 points) all contributed solid offense during the ballgame.

The Brownies extended that 20-point halftime cushion to a game-high 43-10 advantage on the heels of consecutive buckets by DeMarco, Schmaelzle, Stone, and Jean midway in the second half. From there, the shock troops took the court and had themselves a whale of a time playing extended minutes of varsity action.

Coach Lou Conte and his troops know that the bumps in the road become much larger as the regular season's final month continues. The Brownies will next head to Westfield (for another yawner) before hosting West Springfield next Tuesday night.

From there, it's tough games against Amherst (February 11th), Northampton (February 17th), and Longmeadow (February 22nd). The Brownies survived difficult games at home with each of that group, and the going is expected to be much rougher out on the road, especially in the games up North.

Brownie Boys' Skiers 4th In Div. B

by Shelley Michaels
Advertiser News Correspondent

For the past three weeks, the entire region has been in what one might envision the prehistoric Ice Age to be like - sub-zero temperatures combined with intervals of heavy snowfall, ice, and frigid winds.

The conditions, however, did not prevent the Agawam High boys' ski team from making a good showing at Berkshire East Ski Resort in Pittsfield on January 20th and 27th.

The Brownies placed fifth in Division B in the giant slalom race on January 20th. Despite the bitter conditions, each team member skied within three seconds of the other (an unusual feat). The four best times were held by senior Joe Scherpa, junior Brandon Robb, sophomore Andy Markowski, and senior Matt Bellico.

After the race, the team's overall spirit was one of unity. Each skier felt he had skied his best on the day and equally contributed to the team's score. Although their times were not good enough to launch them into the top three teams in Divi-

sion B, the Brownies all skied well technically with times ranging from 25.05 to 29.47.

This cohesive attitude led to an outstanding result in the January 27th slalom race as the locals placed a solid third in the division. The Brownies also surpassed the Cathedral team for the first time this season.

The varsity squad's best times were once again posted by Joe Scherpa (eighth in the division), Brandon Robb, Andy Markowski, and Matt Bellico.

Markowski was the most improved skier this week as he dropped an incredible 15 seconds off the times of his past few races.

Coach Glenn Olsen, thrilled with the outcome of this competition, exclaimed, "With last week's times being so close, this consistency finally paid off this week. It takes many years to build a program and we are now beginning to see the depth that comprises this group."

At presstime, the Brownies are in fourth place overall in Division B.

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His contribution offensively in the first half was just two points, but he brought the crowd up and out of their chairs with an unbelievable slingshot pass from the top of the key that hit Chris Bitzas right in the hands for a layup. That served to cut the lead to 20-13.

On the following Longmeadow possession, he blocked consecutive shots before taking a seat on the bench for a rest. Cullinan immediately went to the hole to put Longmeadow back up by nine, but Ryan Henderson converted a Derek Poole pass and Todd Boskiewicz filled it up on right wing to slice the lead to five. Zdrak re-entered and immediately paid dividends as he cleaned the defensive glass and then hit Boskiewicz in stride with an outlet pass which Todd converted to trim the deficit to 22-19.

Longmeadow (as it would do all night long) came right back and got four straight points as Levine got one up and over Zdrak. Freeman then cashed a couple of checks on the free throw line. Still, Agawam stayed right there as Dan Bodman drilled a short jumper on the baseline and Nathan Wooley hit a right wing three with just one second left. They were outplayed for a good long while in that first half, but they trailed by just a bucket (26-24) as they went off at intermission.

After Freeman's jam led off the second half, it seemed to key furious end to end action for the remainder of the game. Agawam kept creeping within two and three points only to have the Lancers regain their momentum and go off on another mini-run.

Wooley's breakaway cut the lead to 32-30 before Cullinan nailed a pair of free throws. Boskiewicz connected from three point land to knock the lead to just one. And then there was Heaps with a bucket and then another off a steal. Loonie kept it going with a three ball in the side pocket and Longmeadow had stretched it to eight again! It was wild.

Youriy helped lead the comeback when he hit a pair of free throws and an eight foot jumper in the paint. But Freeman followed a made free throw with a hard to the hole move on the left side. Levine stripped the ball in the backcourt and put that in the hole and Longmeadow led by nine again, 46-37.

After Zdrak cut the lead back to seven, it was Heaps connecting from the outside at the 8:08 mark to put the Lancers up by 10 (49-39) in the second stanza.

Comeback Trail Gets Bumpy

If you have been following the script, it was the Brownies' turn to answer and Wooley got them going by doing his steal and streak gig for a deuce. Zdrak ran the floor on the next possession and got a rebound treat and then followed that with a soft lefty in the lane which trimmed it to four again. Agawam trailed 49-45. The Brownies were on the comeback trail but the road was about to get bumpy as it had all night.

Wooley would hit yet another three from out top to bring Agawam closer (51-48) with six minutes to go. Then the roof came down. Cullinan, Freeman, Levine, and Heaps all had a hand in it as the Lancers got nine straight to build the lead back to 12 at 60-48.

It looked like it was all over when AHS gave the crowd one last ditch effort to come back again. Henderson got the bleeding stopped momentarily by dropping a little shot from the corner. Mike Knodler hit his first bucket of the night by getting a transition lefty to go off the glass. Heaps answered with a fadeaway on the right side. Hoops by Zdrak and Knodler would cut it to six.

Boskiewicz got them even closer by hitting a marvelous drive off the window to slice it to four. He missed a chance to make it a three point affair when he was off target on the ensuring free throw, but Agawam got two more chances to get it to OT.

Loonie hit two free throws for a 64-58 lead and that man Wooley answered that by dropping yet another trifecta through the twine. Agawam sent Freeman to the stripe and he responded by miss-

ing the front end of the bonus.

The Agawam kids streaked upcourt and Wooley took an off balance three (early in the possession) which went awry. They got Heaps to miss with 14 seconds to go, but Wooley couldn't find the range again and Levine would ultimately ice it by dropping a free throw with just over a second left.

The Brownies (2-10) are now 1-1 in the Valley Wheel League and they must win (or place second) in the league in order to make the post season.

Ag. Little League To Hold Final Sign-Ups On Sat., February 12th

Agawam Little League will hold final sign-ups for baseball on Saturday, February 12th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

All returning players who have not registered and new players must come to this final sign-up. After February 12th, your name will be put on a waiting list.

So, if you're planning on playing baseball in the spring, this is your final chance to do so.

AHS Boys' Basketball Team To Sell Candy

The Agawam High School boys' basketball team will be selling candy at the Super Stop & Shop in Feeding Hills on Saturday, February 5th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Brownies Grapple In Tough Tri-Meet But Again Prevail

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High wrestling team is going to be spending more time in the Westfield High Gymnasium in the next couple weeks as that will be the site of the Western Mass. Championships on February 12th.

The Brownies travelled to the Whip City last Saturday to view the place up close and personal and also to get a chance to wrestle against Division II power Athol High and resurgent Amherst High. The Hurricanes happen to have a little Brownie blood in them as former two-time New England champion Frank Demarines is a first year assistant coach.

The Brownies wrestled Athol in the first dual of the day and they came away with a hardfought 44-20 win. The Brownies built a 26-5 lead, only to have that margin sliced to 26-20 before pulling away with the big guys for the 44-20 conquest.

Three Wins And 9-0 Lead

In the early going, Agawam was getting wins, but not its normal pinfall victories (which helps build the score that much faster). **Ed Shibley** won a tough 14-12 overtime affair at 103 to help get Agawam out of the gate. **Chad Boucher** kept it going by posting a 13-6 win of his own. **Adam Tebaldi** was solid at 119 with a 6-0 victory and the Brownies had three wins and a 9-0 lead.

More than half of that lead evaporated when **Alex Gomez** dropped an 18-3 technical fall at 125. But **Kevin Willard** got that back by dumping Steve Decker and pinning him early in the second period. It was quite a feat to accomplish, too, as Willard led 15-3 going into the period and had he not pinned him with that particular combination, the match would have been over due to the technical fall. (Once a wrestler leads by 15 or more points, the match is stopped and five team points are awarded. A pin gives the winner six points.)

Dennis Clark pinned **Damon Mahoney** in 5:04 at 135 pounds and **Matt Bryant** really worked over **Blaise Blankenship** in a 15-0 technical fall.

Athol responded with three straight Thompson brothers (Dave, Don, and Shawn) and that trio dumped **Dan Vargas**, **Kirk Parker**, and **Chris Langdon** and cut 15 points off the lead in the process. Vargas got beat 16-9, and the other two kids were pinned.

Andrew Ingham found the going tough for a while at 171, but Andrew got an early reversal in the second period to go up 4-0 and then turned and powered Kelley into the mat for a pin in 2:19.

Jon Jacobsen is fast becoming one of the more dominant grapplers in Western Mass. and he proved it again with a fall against **Brian Bruno** in 3:29 to lock the meet for the Brownies.

Buoyed by the performances of the other big men, **Mike Poth** flattened **Dave Charbeneau** in just 36 seconds to account for the final margin.

Amherst proved to be a formidable foe. As a matter of fact, the Hurricanes whisked their way to a 15-0 lead in the match. Shibley was pinned in 1:22 at 103 and **Chris Chechile** (moving up a weight) lost a marvelous 13-11 match at 112. He trailed it all the way, but tied the match twice (late) before falling on a reversal with just a few seconds left.

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AHS Matmen Crush Putnam Voc.

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

On two occasions this season, the Agawam High wrestling team has opened up dual meet activities by getting up and over the 30 point mark before surrendering its first team points of the night. (Agawam led West Springfield 48-0 before the Terriers got on the scoreboard and the Brownies led Mount Greylock 33-0 at one point in the proceedings at a meet in Pittsfield during the last reporting period.)

So for the Brownies to be tied 17-17 in a home meet, many of the faithful had reason to be concerned as to the final outcome. As it was, the Agawam kids returned to a little bit of last year's type of victory by stepping on the pedal to zoom to a 43-17 conquest of Putnam Vocational High School last Wednesday night at the Clifford P. Kibbe Gymnasium at AHS.

The Brownies have been a difficult team to try to figure this year because they have yet to really field their "A" squad due to injuries, illnesses, weight, grades, extracurricular activities, and opponent forfeits.

Coach **Phil Tomkiel's** team usually finds a way to be solid and intact come tournament time which is right around the corner. The Western Massachusetts tournament is scheduled for February 12th in Westfield. The Brownies have brought that particular trophy home to their case on seven straight occasions.

The Beavers of Putnam came to town with two defending Western Mass. champions and a boatload of pride and grit and they came out looking for the upset. Their quest was unreasonable as they were forced to forfeit two weight classes which put them in a 12 point hole (immediately). And you simply can't do that against a talented team like Agawam (especially on the road!).

Brownies Take 6-0 Lead

Ed Shibley got the first six Agawam points merely by raising his hand as he accepted the walkover at 103 pounds. Oddly, Putnam had a 103 pound junior varsity performer that might have gotten the job done at the varsity level. No matter. AHS had a 6-0 lead.

That quickly evaporated as Putnam won the next four matches, which is certainly uncharted waters for Agawam foes against the toughest portion of the Agawam lineup.

But **Chad Boucher** was not on weight at 112 and he was sidelined; **Chris Wilkie**, a 119 pounder just returning from injury was forced to go 125; and defending Western Mass. Champion **Kevin Willard** was on the shelf and unable to perform at 125. And Putnam took full advantage.

Gabriel Frazier rolled all over the mats with Agawam's **Alex Gomez** in the 112 pound division before surviving with a 17-11 victory. Gomez was behind all the way, but closed the gap to 12-11 at the end of the second before behind outscored in the third.

Adam Tebaldi got a tiger by the tail as he was whipped 12-1 by **Abdul Shabazz** at 119 pounds. Putnam's Shabazz was the runner up in the states at 103 pounds a year ago and he placed fourth in New England's last year. His quickness and guile was far too much for the hardworking Tebaldi, and the four point major decision put Putnam ahead 7-6 on the team scoreboard.

Wilkie got in there at 125 against **Malwin Davila** and the steady veteran Beaver came back from a 2-0 second period deficit to post a solid 8-2 victory, which had his club in front 10-6.

Philip Hull wrestled a terrific match for Putnam at 130 as he showed great balance and an ability to counter anything that **John Scalise** threw at him. And the end result was an 11-4 victory, which had people scratching their heads in Agawam. It was 13-6 Putnam.

Clark Closes The Gap

Dennis Clark might well have been the turning point of the night as he clobbered **Marcus Bledsoe** by a 17-1 technical fall to give some life back to the crowd in the 135 pound division. Clark earned four different sets of back points during the fray and the five point win for the tech fall closed the gap to 13-11.

Matt Bryant gave Agawam its second lead of the night as he went to war with **Adion Clarke** at 140 pounds. Clarke fought with all the weapons at his disposal, but Bryant was clearly the better wrestler and he refused to mix it up with his over-matched foe. Matty ultimately pinned him with the guillotine at 4:00. The Brownies' first pin gave them the 17-13 lead.

Dan Vargas incurred the wrath of defending Western Mass. champion **Kirk James** at 145 pounds, but Vargas did not get stuck or teched. He did drop a convincing 18-4 decision, but hanging in there allowed his team not to surrender the lead as the scoreboard read 17-17 after the eighth match of the night.

Parker Registers Biggest Season Point Total

Kirk Parker would be the Brownie that would put his club ahead for good as he spent the better part of a half hour blitzing **Peleti Pau** (22-11) in a crazy match. Parker outstrengthened his opponent all the way, but Pau was a "cradler," who sunk three of them during the match and Parker was in trouble on all three occasions. Still, Kirk registered five near falls of his own en route to the biggest point total of the season.

Chris Langdon got the night's second forfeit in the 160 pound class to up the lead to 27-17. **Andrew Ingham** wasn't tested at 171 as the sophomore came right out of the chute with a 56 second stick over **Maurice Thomas** in a classic overmatch. And the lead swelled to 16, 33-17.

John Jacobsen continued his fine roll as he worked over **Wilberto Santiago** in the 189 pound class by a major decision score of 10-1. Santiago was wrestling with an injured knee and used his entire allotment of injury time, but Jacobsen was in charge all the way en route to a fine victory.

Mike Poth brought the fans out of their chairs for good when he pinned **Dave Foote** at 3:41 in a match that he was leading 12-3 when the pinfall was registered.

So as the Putnam kids sat deep in their chairs with ice bags, sore shoulders, bloody noses, and swollen knees, they could only wonder what it is going to take to dethrone these kids from Agawam.

But, they certainly aren't the only team to have contemplated those same thoughts after wrestling against the Brownies.

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Adam Tebaldi was leading a tight match 2-1 at 119, but then pinned himself while trying to pin his opponent.

Gomez was given a forfeit at 125 to get Agawam on the scoreboard and Willard once again broke away from a 15-3 advantage to post a pinfall in 4:35 in yet another impressive performance.

Dennis Clark caught a huge break for himself and his team as a scorer's error at the table enabled him to keep a great match dead even into overtime. Clark trailed 7-5 (on my scoreboard) when a conference at the table had the score changed to 5-5.

Clark Changes Direction Of Match

Once in OT, Clark (who was taken down by three single legs) was able to counter his opponent's offense in the extra session. He took him down up top and put him right to the back and pinned him in 25 seconds. That changed the match for good. Agawam led 18-15 and never surrendered the lead again.

Matt Bryant was conventional and powerful en route to a 3:20 stick of his opponent to give Agawam the 24-15 lead after the 140 division.

That was important because Vargas drew his second stud of the day at 145 pounds. Sam Kline (Demarines' pet project) came out undefeated and showed why as he pinned Dan in 2:45. He was leading 11-0 at the time. Amherst had crawled within three 24-21.

Kirk Parker had a back and forth match at 152, but got himself going in the right direction in the second period and that resulted in a 3:33 pin that put Agawam up nine. Chris Langdon dropped a pinfall in 5:03 at 160 and Agawam had a precarious three point lead late in the proceedings.

Ingham had quite a chore in subduing his foe at 171, but he got the job done in 5:15 after building himself a 13-2 lead along the way. Jacobsen continued his unbelievable run by giving his opponent a foam rubber back rub at 1:17, and the lead was at 42-27.

Poth got a forfeit in the heavyweight division to account for the final 48-27 win.

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AHS Girls Continue To Light Up Slopes; Still Lead Div. C.

by Shelley Michaels
Advertiser News Correspondent

The deep freeze the area has experienced never affected the heat the Agawam High girls' ski team has generated lately. After racing on January 20th and 27th, the Brownies still remained undefeated in Division C.

The slalom race on January 20th at Berkshire East portrayed exchange student Ali Rusava as a skier with style, athletic ability, and tremendous conviction. This outstanding effort launched Rusava to sole possession of the best time in the entire league (34.65).

Rusava's time of 34.65 was followed by team captain Dyan Deluce (46.76), with Kim Graveline holding third place at 48.00 and Erica Schlaffer posting a 52.46. Kara McDade grabbed fifth place on the team by cutting a healthy two seconds off her previous run.

Coach Jim Graveline continues to be elated with his charges. "We've had an incredible run of success. Dyan Deluce and Kim Graveline made their presence known with placement in the league's top ten."

The giant slalom race on January 27th found the girls skiing with vigor and enthusiasm. And again, the Brownies got the job done by capturing first place in Division C.

Ali Rusava scored a 26.78, with Kim Graveline holding a strong second at 27.78. Danielle Petrangelo, whose strength is the slalom, had a great run in the giant slalom by placing third at 29.99. Senior Dyan Deluce was next at 30.79.

This competition also featured the team's younger skiers. Racing for the varsity, Meagan Moriarty made big strides in her development as a downhill racer by checking in at 34.12, while Kara McDade's 32.65 was also a strong effort.

The junior varsity's excitement was second to none with the top time being captured by Cari Janik. Also, exchange student Joana Monteiro Grillo also sparkled in her JV debut.

The Brownies again appeared at Berkshire East on Thursday, February 3rd.

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Comp Chomps Up Brownies In Easy Valley Wheel Win

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High boys' basketball team absorbed one of its worst home losses in a long time on Tuesday night (February 1st) when the Chicopee Comp Colts came to town and laid a nasty 68-35 Valley Wheel loss on the Brownies.

Derek Poole zipped in off the opening tap and laid one in for Agawam to give them a quick lead, but it would be the Colts who would score the next 14 points. They got two free throws from Matt Brice; a three-pointer from the corner by Jolon Makowski; and a short corner jumper by John Paquette to go up 7-2.

The much-celebrated Agawam center Youri Zdrak was then tied up for a jump ball, and he reacted by heaving the ball at the ballplayer who tied him up. He was given a technical by the zebras and a seat on the bench by Coach Mike Martin. From there, the ballgame simply deteriorated badly for the home team.

Brian Warchol made both technical free throws and Jeff Francis came off the pine to score five quick points to push the lead to 12. Martin called his first time out of the game and Nathan Wooley came out of that break by knocking down a three with 7:30 remaining. It was the Brownies' first hoop in over eight minutes of action.

Paquette would score a deuce for Comp before Mike Knodler would hit two layups to cut the lead to 16-9. That would be the very last thing that the Brownies (2-11 overall, 1-2 in the Valley Wheel) would have to feel good about all evening.

Comp would end the half with a dominating 11-0 run that sent them off to the locker room secure in the knowledge that their league rival has scored less than 10 points in an entire half of basketball. They led it 27-9.

One week earlier, Agawam had left the court at intermission with a big lead over Minnechaug on the road, and they came back out and blew that game wide open. They had a lot of fun doing it, too. On this Tuesday night, Comp had the same thoughts on their mind and they also blew the roof off the gym.

Zdrak came back with 10 second-half points and the Brownies would nearly triple their first-half output, but Comp was throwing the rock through the hole even faster as they outscored the Brownies 41-26 in the second stanza.

The Brownies entered league play hoping to finish either first or second in the Valley Wheel so that they could make the Western Mass playoffs. Saddled with two losses in their first three league contests (both defeats coming at home), they find themselves with a very tough hole from which they must extricate themselves.

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West Side Subdues Brownie Skaters In Tough Berry Division Clash, 4-1

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

As they sharpen their skates for the stretch drive, the Agawam High and West Springfield High School hockey teams met for the first time this season last Thursday night (January 27th) at the Olympia Ice in West Springfield. And it would be the Terriers who would break open a tie game in the final six minutes and ultimately open some breathing room for themselves before escaping with a 4-1 conquest.

Both squads have left the gate flying this year and, as in any rivalry, the kids on both sides of the rink had January 27th circled on their calendars for a good long while. The natural border war, along with the importance of the Berry Division matchup, made the game a biggie as both squads brace for the iron portion of their schedules.

Solid Two Way Hockey And High Emotions

The game was the late contest at the Olympia with two super games preceding it. Longmeadow held off Ludlow in a one goal affair and Cathedral dropped a one goal decision to Amherst. It was a night for solid two way hockey and sky high emotions. It ended with the Terriers and Brownies on the ice to keep the little facility jam-packed with fans all night long.

In the early going, the Brownies seemed clearly the more talented team. They skated with their heads up, found open ice on which to roam, and they took the body often in the end to end contest.

West Side, despite sporting an outstanding record, got caught up in chippiness that seemed much out of place with the team that it can field. A glove to the face, a stick to the back of the legs, and cheap shots to the back of the head after the whistle were all commonplace in the first two periods. For the most part, the Brownies would skate away from those little incidents (after checking the license plate of the offender for future reference).

The Brownies kept their heads, which helped them score their first goal of the contest. West Springfield was detected for a roughing penalty with 4:39 gone in the first. And on their first up ice rush following the banishment to the box, Kevin Ghareeb found Eric Mastrolanni cutting in front and the senior tucked it home for the 1-0 lead.

The Brownies spent a good portion of that period sniping from the right wing side, but the West Side goalkeeper did a beautiful job of keeping his club in it. Derek Benton was rather lonely in the Agawam cage, but steered away trouble whenever it came his way in the opening stanza.

He did make a big stick save when a kid had him dead to rights with just over a minute remaining in the first period. But he wasn't as fortunate with 15 seconds remaining as the Terriers made one last gasp rush that resulted in the tying marker with the period almost expired.

West Side gave Agawam two more man advantages in the second period and Dan Moriarty, Sean Szyzgiel, Steve Willett, and Marc Turgeon

made some quality rushes, but they couldn't light the lamp. The closest came when Moriarty suckered two defensemen behind the cage and then craftily backhanded a pass to a cutting Turgeon, who tried to snap it home. Good Agawam pressure was the highlight of the second period as the chippiness continued.

Tied After Two

Late in the period, Agawam's Brandon Parelli was whistled for a holding penalty and then a hooking penalty, but the Brownies killed both of them easily and the teams skated off with a 1-1 tie after two.

Parelli nearly untied the score on the first shot of the third period as he teed one up from the left point, but the keeper got a skate on it at the far post and it ricocheted into the corner.

West Side followed that up with a slashing penalty and then a roughing (a curious minor penalty considering that the Terrier nailed a fallen Brownie with a punch to the back of the neck in full view of everyone assembled). But the Brownies were unable to capitalize. Jason Biagetti did get free for a wonderful opportunity, but he couldn't make connections on a quick feed, which would have given him an empty right side of the net.

Shortly thereafter, the wheels came off for the Brownies (7-2-1). Parelli drew a double minor (hooking/unsportsmanlike conduct) and the Agawam kids were forced to go shorthanded for three minutes. Forty seconds later, A.J. Wheeler accepted a gorgeous drop pass from Randy Miller, who cut over the blue line with a big head of steam. The defense went with Miller and gave Wheeler a clear view of Benton. A big slapper found the back of the twine for the go-ahead goal with 6:04 showing on the third period clock.

With just under four minutes to play and with Agawam pressing, the Terriers made a big takeaway in the Agawam end and Miller tucked that home for a 3-1 lead. Two minutes later, a Terrier forechecker came out from behind the cage and beat Benton through the five hole for the final goal of the night.

The Brownies face games against Holyoke and Amherst before gaining the rematch with the Terriers on February 8th.

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Daggett Gold Gym Sends 5 To States

The Massachusetts State Gymnastic Championships were held Sunday, December 12th, 1993 in Northboro, MA, with 32 clubs and 101 girls participating. There were to be five participants from Tim Daggett Gold Medal Gymnastics (TDGMG) in Agawam, but Denise Dasilva could not enter due to an injury.

Level 5 participants were Lauren Powell from Feeding Hills and Tyler St. Jean from Springfield, age group nine to 11 years old. Lauren accrued AA-33.85. Tyler accrued AA-33.90, and placed 10th on bars with 9.25.

Level 6 participants were Brynne Kennedy from Pittsfield and Jaime Scott-Smith from Southwick, age group eight to 11 years old. Brynne accrued AA-33.65. She placed first on vault with 9.2. Jaime accrued AA-35.05, placing fifth "all around." Jaime also placed fourth on beam with 8.95, and sixth on bars with 8.9.

The girls' team is coached by Joe Saimer, head girls' coach and co-owner of TDGMG, and Stacie Sherman, coach/choreographer.

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AHS Girls Swim Team Wins Two; Boys Bow Twice Last Week

The Agawam High girls' swim team won both meets this past week and continued its fine 1993-94 season.

First, the Brownies defeated West Springfield on Tuesday, January 25th, 103-83. First place winners in this meet included Jessy Crowley, 200-yard freestyle (2:19.77); Rachel Niemic, 50-yard free style (28.44) and 100-yard backstroke (1:09.56); and Tammy Leary, diving event.

Also, the prolific Heather Pliska won the 100-yard breaststroke and broke the school record in the 100-yard freestyle event (56.22).

Natalie Piccin swam the 50-yard freestyle in 29.99 and the 100-yard butterfly in 1:17.94, both personal bests. Tara Rifkin also swam her personal best in the 500-yard freestyle (7:04.59).

On Tuesday, February 1st, the Brownies nipped Northampton, 95-90. Heather Pliska was a double winner by taking the 200-yard freestyle and the 500-yard freestyle.

Another double winner was Jessy Crowley. She took the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard butterfly. Rachel Niemic won first place in the 100 backstroke (1:09.51), and won second place in the 50-yard freestyle (28.14).

Sarah Pliska and Beth Meagher took first and second place, respectively, in the 100-yard breaststroke with times of 1:24 and 1:28.33.

On a day when the margin of victory was slim, the contributions of Emily Gomez and Suzanne Brown cannot be overlooked. Gomez took two fifth places and Brown also took a fifth.

Boys' Absorbed Two Losses

The Agawam High boys' swim team had a good meet vs. Northampton on Tuesday, February 1st, despite losing by a 98-87 count.

Tim Church was a double winner by setting a new diving record with a score of 246.75 (the old record was 215). He also took first in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:13.62). Jeremy Spring won first in the 50-yard freestyle event in 25.04, and won second place in the 100-yard backstroke (1:07.94).

The team also took second and third place in diving with Keith Paro (174.50) and Jay Surriera (165.35). Mike Robinson took first place in the 100-yard butterfly in 1:03.90, and placed second in the 200-yard freestyle (2:03.74). Paro swam the 50-yard freestyle in 27.46 for second and he also participated in the 400-yard freestyle relay with Chad Abdow, Jason Surriera, and John David. The group won the event with a time of 4:25.29.

On Tuesday, January 25th, the boys lost to West Springfield, 105-65. First place winners were Mike Robinson, who swam the 200-yard freestyle in 1:58.75. Tim Church had a diving score of 203.50, and Mike Robinson swam the 500-yard freestyle in 5:21.28.

Second place finishers were Jeremy Spring, 50-yard freestyle in 25.31; Jeremy Surriera, a diving score of 145.85.

The Brownies next face Belchertown at home on Friday, February 4th; Central (home), Tuesday, February 8th; and Westfield (home), Monday, February 14th.

Ag. Little League Seeks 1994 Sponsors

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Sportsmen's Corner

—By Bill Chiba—
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"Fishing" For News...

From February 3rd through February 6th, 1994, the 18th Annual Eastern Fishing & Outdoor Exposition will be held at the Centrum in Worcester, MA. The show promises to be bigger and better than in previous years.

The hours are Thursday and Friday (February 3rd and 4th), 1:00 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday (February 5th), 10:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday (February 6th), 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

I have been knocked for a loop by a virus for the past two weeks, and the third week doesn't look too promising. To say my ice fishing is suffering is no lie; there has been some beautiful days in the past two weeks where a fabulous day of ice fishing could have been had.

My first choice is perch, but I have yet to try for bigger fish. I suppose being the fisherman who is always looking for a new thrill, it won't be too many moons before I will give the big boys a try. Larry Cavanaugh invited me to hit the Oxbow with him, but it was at the start of my infection and I turned him down because of it.

The largest fish available in this state are tiger muskies, pike bass, and pickerell. Both species of muskie and northern pike must be 28 inches long, and one a day is the limit.

On consulting with the "big fish" type anglers, they tell me the best way to fish tigers and muskie is to use large bait (heavy-duty type) with a wire leader.

Both species are found in Brimfield Reservoir, the Oxbow in Easthampton, Long Pond in Brimfield, and Red Bridge Pond in Ludlow. Northern Pike can be found in Onota Lake in Pittsfield, Quabog Pond in Brookfield, Cheshire Reservoir in Cheshire, and the Connecticut River.

Tiger muskies are also found in Thousand Acre Swamp in Sandisfield, Lake Rohunta in Orange and Athol, Upper Spectacle Pond in Otis, Bassets

Pond in New Salem, Otis Reservoir in Otis, and Pontoosuc Lake in Lanesboro.

I haven't been jigging for smelt yet (having only taking up ice fishing last season) and have consulted a few experts like **Angie Borgatti**, **Sam Provo**, and **Dom Tangredi**. They tell me that smelt are cold-water fish and distant relatives of trout and salmon. They require deep and clean water lakes where trout are found.

During the day, the smelt are found in deep water near the bottom. A jigging rod is a must, as well as a smelt lure for attraction (bait it with a wax worm or a small mouse). Drom the lure to the bottom and then raise it up about three to four inches from the bottom. Jig it rapidly, then stop and hold it still for a minute or two; they will hit the bait.

We have some very good waters for smelt in Massachusetts. Green Water Pond in Becket is considered the best trout pond in Massachusetts, and the smelt population is large. Angie has taken his share out of Littleville Lake in Chester, Good Pond in Lee, Otis Reservoir in Otis, and Onota Lake in Pittsfield.

Patience is the name of the game.

Maine's moose-hunting laws will be changing to include potential increases in the size of moose-hunting districts and zone lines, as well as increased permit allocations.

The Maine Fish and Wildlife Department commissioner now has the authority to issue 1,200 permits in 1994; 1,400 permits in 1995; and 1,500 permits in 1996 and thereafter. Your application to enter the 1994 moose permit lottery will have information on changes in hunting zones and allocations of permits in each zone.

The moose-hunting permit lottery drawing is held in early June.

Meanwhile, Maine's any-deer permit system is a lottery affair. Each of the wildlife management districts has an annual allotment for the number of antlerless deer permits which are issued. You must decide which districts you wish to apply for prior to sending in your lottery application.

You can call or write the Maine Fish and Wildlife Department at 284 State Street, Station 41, Augusta, Maine 04333, or call (207) 289-5235.

A reminder that the Agawam Sportsmen's Club is holding its Annual Ice Fishing Derby, starting at 7:00 a.m. at the south boat ramp on Sunday, February 6th, on Congamond Lake.

Tickets may be picked up on the ice or at the clubhouse on Corey Street, Agawam.

Indians Hockey Game To Benefit Wish Fund

On Saturday, February 12th, the 10th annual charity hockey game between teams from the U.S. Post Office and the Springfield Police Department, will precede the Springfield Indians game with the Hamilton Canucks at the Springfield Civic Center.

Tickets for admission to both the charity game at 5:30 p.m. and the Indians game at 7:30 p.m., which normally cost \$10, are priced at \$8 for this evening only when purchased at the Make-A-Wish office on the campus of Springfield Technical

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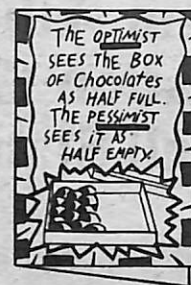


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CHH Engraving	3	0
Aldrich Ins.	0	3
Rackliffe Locksmith	0	3

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NORTH	W	L
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SOUTH	W	L
Village Lounge	3	0
Unico	3	0
Agawam Police	0	3
Grimaldi & Burzdak	0	3

10-12 DIVISIONS

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Prof. Traffic Systems	3	1
E.B.'s Specialty Chicken	2	2
Corner Deli	2	2
Fran's Restaurant	0	4

NATIONAL	W	L
Auth Fuels	4	0
Spirit Shoppe	3	1
Valenti's	2	2
Agawam Opticians	1	3
Movie Mart	0	4

13-15 DIVISIONS

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Auth Fuels	3	1
EB's Specialty Chicken	1	3
Provin Mt. Farm	1	3

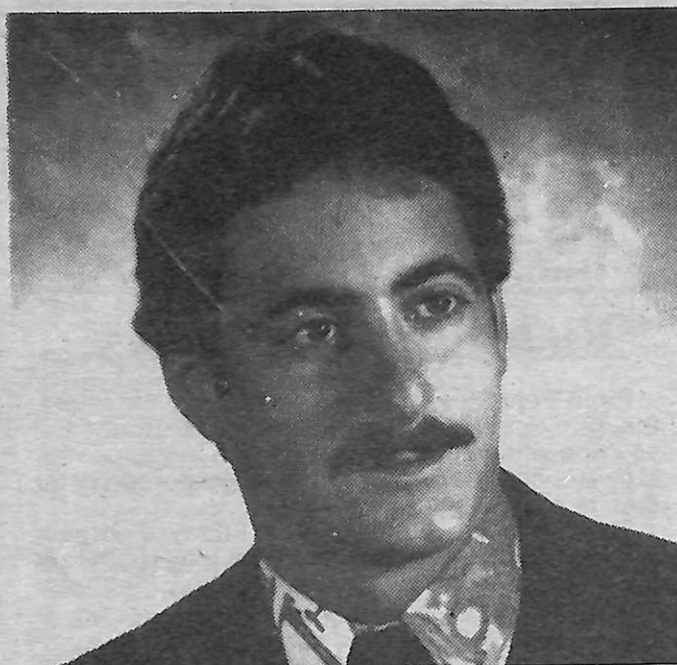
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Fran's Restaurant	4	0
Worldtek Travel	2	2
Feeding Hills Pharmacy	1	3
Agawam Opticians	0	4

Agawam Athletic Association Girls' Basketball Standings

8-10	W	L
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Agawam Police	2	1
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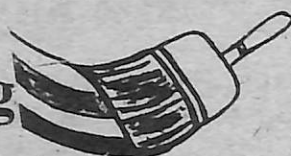
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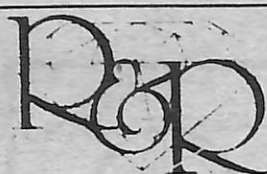
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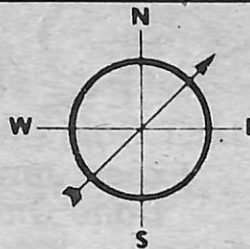
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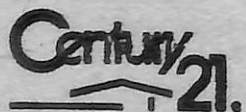
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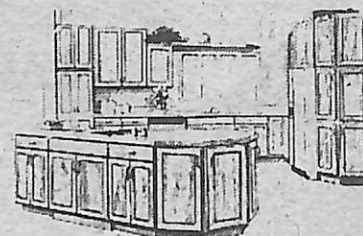
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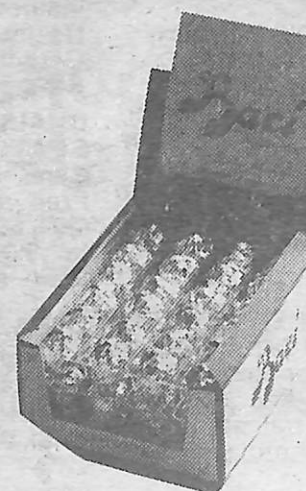
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